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M.W. BROTHER LEROY WHITMAN BOND, GRAND MASTER

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LeRoy W. Bond was born in Charlton, Massachusetts, U.S.A. on July 3rd, 1895. He attended Public Schools in that city, graduating from the Charlton High School at the age of 16. He took a Post Graduate course at Worcester High School and later entered the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, graduating from that Institution with a degree in B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering on April 15th, 1918.

Immediately following his graduation he entered the U.S. Army and trained in heavy artillery at Fort Monroe, Virginia. He was mustered out in 1919 with a rank of 2nd Lieutenant C.A.R.C.

In his college days he became a life member of the National Fraternity of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. On his retirement from the army he married Florence M. Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Wright of Worcester, Mass. U.S.A. George M. Wright was then Mayor of that city and the head of the Wright Wire Co., which concern is still being carried on by the eldest son. The marriage was blessed with two daughters, Marion and Dorothy.

Shortly after his marriage he came to Irricana with his Brother-in-law, Ralph W. Wright. They established the Wright and Bond Ranch, which has specialized in grain growing and the raising of Registered Herefords for over thirty-one years.

In his civil life he has been honored with many appointments. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the Irricana Mutual Telephone Co.; a Director of the Irricana Co-Op. Electrification System; an Associate Director of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Co. Past President and now Secretary-Treasurer of the Hereford Association. He was also a Director of the Canadian Hereford Association and a member of the Calgary Board of Trade and also a Director and President of the Alberta Cattle Breeders Association. He was a member of the Irricana United Church and served as Chairman of the Board and Secretary for many years.

He was Initiated in Irricana Lodge No. 137 on November 16th, 1926. He became Master of the Lodge in 1931 and also served as Secretary for several years. He became District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 15 in 1937-38. He serves on the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge and was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1947. Senior Grand Warden in 1948, Deputy Grand Master in 1949 and Grand Master in 1950.

In Royal Arch Masonry he became a member of Strathmore Chapter R.A.M. No. 21 and became its First Principal in 1933 and District Superintendent of District No. 4 in 1938-39.

He is a Life Member of Cyprus Preceptory No. 33, serving as Preceptor in 1945. He is a member of Al Azhar Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. He is also a member of Zadok Council No. 3 Cryptic Rite and of the Royal Ark Mariners, and a 32nd Degree member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

Brother Bond has a very warm and friendly personality and is greatly beloved by all who know him. He has a deep and abiding love for Freemasonry. Busy man as he is, he is always willing to attend to Masonic business when called upon. In retiring from the Chair of Grand Master he carries with him the love and affection of every member of the Craft in Alberta.



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The Forty-sixth Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was opened in the Hotel Palliser in the City of Calgary, Province of Alberta, on Wednesday, June 13th, A.D. 1951, A.L. 5951, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

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OPENING

The members having assembled in the banquet room of the Palliser Hotel, Calgary, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, V.W. Bro. John Stewart, informed the M.W. The Grand Master, who with his Grand Officers, proceeded in procession and assumed their stations. The procession was headed by two Constables of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police carrying the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes. After assuming stations the National Anthem was sung.

The constitutional number of lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson.

The M.W. The Grand Master granted permission for the admission of Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy W. Bond, in welcoming those present said: "It is a great privilege and pleasure and honor to welcome you here this morning to assist in this 46th Annual Communication. Before I proceed further, however, I would like to perform another pleasant duty. First, to thank my Grand Director of Ceremonies and his assistant, our beloved Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. John Martland, for the very great kindness and service they have rendered in the opening of this Communication and to our brethren in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police whom we are so proud and delighted to see here — to see them in that uniform — to enable us to have the Flag Ceremony. I am grateful to them My brethren, at this time it will give me great pleasure and be a pleasure to you, I am sure, to receive those distinguished guests from out of this Grand Jurisdiction who are favouring us with their visitation to this 46th Communication.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

- M.W. Bro. Percy Doles, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Montana — introduced by M.W. Bro. W. A. Henry.
- R.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota — introduced by M.W. Bro. F. P. Galbraith.
- M.W. Bro. Gail Huhn, Grand Master, State of Washington — introduced by M.W. Bro. Russell J. Bradley.
- M.W. Bro. J. H. N. Morgan, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of British Columbia — introduced by M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis.
- M.W. Bro. Sumner Davis, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Idaho — introduced by M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald.
- M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba — introduced by M.W. Bro. Sam Harris.
- M.W. Bro. Francis Hedley Auld, Grand Master of Saskatchewan — introduced by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill.

V.W. Bro. Frank Van de Mark, Grand Tyler — Montana.

The Grand Honors were then given and the Distinguished Guests were invited to take seats at the East.

The Grand Master: "Distinguished Guests: It was a pleasure for me to present to you the Grand Honors in this Jurisdiction. I would ask you to take your seat with me in the East." At this point the Grand Master acknowledged the gift of a gavel presented to the Grand Lodge of Alberta by Sumner Davis, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Idaho, remarking "It gives me a great deal of pleasure to seat this Grand Lodge Communication with the beautiful gavel presented by the Grand Master of Idaho, Sumner Davis." The Grand Master expressed his pleasure at the past association he has had with the distinguished guests and said: "Our great Masonic leaders have come to be with us. You will want them to feel very happy here today and to enjoy today and tomorrow — every moment of it. We will be very happy to hear from them as opportunity affords. I would ask M.W. Bro. Macdonald to retire and present the Hon. J. J. Bowlen, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald: "Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren: It is a very great privilege to present to you the representative of His Majesty, the King, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, in the person of the Hon. John J. Bowlen."

The Grand Master: "I would ask you to present the Hon. J. J. Bowlen to the East please.

The Grand Master: "I wish at this moment to say it is one of the greatest privileges of any I have ever had, to receive the Hon. J. J. Bowlen, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, because in his person we have with us a representative of our beloved King who would wish us every good wish and probably would like to be with us, at this 46th Communication of Masons in this Province. We will have words of welcome and greetings from His representative, the Hon. J. J. Bowlen, in a short while. I want to say on your behalf it is a privilege to have him with us today. He is a man of sterling quality, a man beloved by "he-men" in this great west, a man who was one of the early Pioneers of the great Province a man who comes from the little town of Southbridge, next to the town of Charlton where I was born. Your Honor, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you here and ask you to stay with us and enjoy the proceedings. At this time I would ask M.W. Bro. Cumming to retire and present the representative of the Mayor of the City of Calgary. I would also ask the Director of Ceremonies to retire with him.

M.W. Bro. A. D. Cumming thereupon presented Noel Hutchinson, Deputy Mayor, City of Calgary.

The Grand Master: It is a great pleasure on behalf of the 46th Grand Communication to receive you as a representative of the Mayor. I would like to say we are very happy to have you represent the Mayor and it is a great pleasure to ask you to be seated with us for a few moments in this East.

The Flag Ceremony was then performed by the two Brethren members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The Grand Master: "My Brethren: we are very grateful to the representatives of that great Force for the privilege of having them perform the ceremony which we have just witnessed. May our flag in unity with that of the United States of America ever fly continue down the path to freedom and peace.

The Grand Master, extending wishes for long life and success to His Honor, presented the Hon. J. J. Bowlen, the Lieutenant Governor.

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor: "Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests and Friends: I say 'friends' advisedly because I came here as a friend to this great organization and not just to represent the Province. I came here to meet friends too. Many people may think because I am not among Masonry I do not know much about it. I have been associated with the Masonic Order for 53 years from the time when I was back in Massachusetts. I have something in common because I lived in the little town of Southbridge, 10 miles from where M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond was born. So I claim some relationship. We are both agriculturists and he is a great stockman and agriculturist too so that is a reason also for me to be here, and furthermore to come back to the old city of Calgary where I lived for 32 years — where I met so many of you in business, socially and in public life. As a matter of fact, when I received the invitation I told my wife I hoped to goodness I would get here because I said I do not want to miss it, I would have to be in hospital — I give you the greetings of this Province. To the Americans I bring a special greeting. When I was 15 years old I lived in the United States and in 1900 the Spanish American War broke out and I was living in that country and when I live in a country I think I should do something for it, so I got a uniform and was active for a few months but we were such good soldiers the enemy got scared.

"This is your 46th annual convention and I have been doing a little checking up on the way this great Order has progressed in this Province and I find your first lodge was formed in 1882 in the City of Edmonton; not long afterwards in '83 a lodge was formed in Calgary and I cannot understand why Calgary let Edmonton get ahead: they are generally first. In the first issue of the Calgary Herald a notice of the first meeting to be held at Murdoch's store. I was not there at that time. I presume some of the older people may know where that store was. You have grown phenomenally in this Province. In 1905 there were only 18 lodges when you formed your own Grand Lodge in the Province of Alberta. You have grown fast. One of the reasons why that is you did not confine yourself to cities and the large towns. Every right thinking man and a good citizen, no matter where he lives, has an opportunity to belong to this great Order and I say that advisedly, too; it is a great order: it is the most powerful

organization on the North American Continent today by far. It is your great tolerance of all classes of people -- not your strength. I do not think there is any organization more tolerant in the world than this Order. It has been 53 years since I associated with an outstanding man in Boston. I was a green boy from the country and at that time the Young Men's Christian Union was quite an organization in the City of Boston. This man told me I should join this organization but I told him I was only making \$20.00 per month and it cost \$7.00 to join and that was a lot of money. He told me I would never regret it so I did join and I am still a member of that union. In that organization there were the sons of business and professional men and many prominent Masons. That man did a great deal for me in those days. I am no stranger to the work of this organization.

"Another thing, in these troubled times you stand out for so many things we all know: you stand up for your flag, your country and what the flag stands for. One brotherhood. Would not it be a glorious world if we were one brotherhood? It looks confused today but I believe the time will come when we will have one brotherhood. That will be when the people will live in peace and harmony among each other. A century does not mean much. You look back to the last century and it showed more progress than all before it. The day will come when we will be one brotherhood. Then you will stand for justice to all. Is there any reasonably fair minded person in the world that will disagree with that? That is what we all want. I did not come here to say very much. I came here to greet you and meet you. It is a great pleasure for me to have the opportunity of meeting the members of this great Order. I am very happy to be here. Again I wish you all the blessing that goes with a good organization. May you continue to go on, to grow and spread the good deeds and work you have done since organizing in this Province. Thank you." Hearty applause.

The Grand Master: "Thank you. Your message is deeply appreciated. I want to say on our behalf from wherever our Masonic Jurisdiction spreads, we ask you to take and send to His Majesty the King our great and sincere loyalty and support to him as head of the Great British Commonwealth of Nations. May he also convey to His Majesty our sorrow that his health is not just at the best at this moment and it is our earnest prayer he will be fully restored to good health and he may enjoy and be active in the great duties of his office. I thank you again, your Honor."

The Grand Master: "It is very very lovely to meet in this fair City of Calgary where last week there was three feet of snow and today it is so hot. This is a province of extremes; that is why people come here they do not want to leave it; they are awfully interested to know what is going to happen tomorrow. I know Don MacKay, the mayor, would like to be here but he was called out of the City on official duty and therefore it is our privilege to have his representative, Brother Hutchinson. I would like him to bring greetings on behalf of the mayor if he so desires."

Noel Hutchinson, Deputy Mayor of Calgary: "Most Worshipful Sir, Your Honor, Distinguished Guests, Brothers all: As the M.W.

Master has said it is a great privilege and pleasure for me personally to attend the Grand Lodge meeting today and represent the City of Calgary. I bring you greetings first of all officially from His Worship, the Mayor; the City Council and the Civic Administration. The great City of Calgary extends to you Brethren its freedom and its privileges. We know that when you come to Calgary you expect to be received in a friendly spirit and that you will be treated royally and with the utmost hospitality. Calgary has been referred to in so many ways; as "The friendly city;" "The City of the foothills;" "The City of the Stampede" and not forgetting "The Oil Centre of Alberta." Perhaps some of our Edmonton friends will be ready to take issue with that last term which I may say has been generally accepted throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion. But I would remind them they are like the G. I. before the medical board in the United States and getting his "medical" and in course of time was interviewed by the psychiatrist and the psychiatrist tried to trick him up by a trick question. The G. I. was asked "Suppose I cut off one of your ears what would happen?" and he replied "I would not hear quite so well." The psychiatrist then said: "Suppose I cut off the other ear?" and the G. I. replied "I would not be able to see, sir." The psychiatrist said "I was referring to your ear, not your eyes." The G. I. repeated "I would not be able to see, sir." He was then asked: "How do you make that out?" and the G.I. replied: "My hat would fall down over my eyes." Of course the moral of that story is sometimes we have to pin the ears of the Edmonton folk back so they can see.

"Having officially discharged my civic duty I would like to take this opportunity as a member of the Craft to say that in these days when there is a terrific conflict going on ideologically for the hearts and minds of men throughout the world as a suggestion I believe it is time Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren that organizations such as we are members of should close our ranks and while we are not in any sense a political organization as individuals we should take more part in public life and I think it has become our business so to do.

"Again I bring you greetings from the City of Calgary — the friendly city — the city of sunshine. We have turned it on full blast for you today folks so you can enjoy your stay. May success attend your deliberations and may the Supreme Architect of the Universe ever control and guide and counsel our people in authority. Thank you very much."

Grand Master: "On behalf of everyone assembled here I want to thank you, the representative of His Worship Mayor Don MacKay. I want you to take back a message to the mayor: we deeply appreciate his assigning you to be with us. I want you to tell him that we are assembled here in quiet counsel and that we are always happy to meet here in Calgary. If we have one recommendation it will be for wider streets and no parking meters and forget some of the June blizzards.

At this point the Lieutenant Governor retired and the Junior Warden opened the volume of the Sacred Law.

The Grand Master: "Brethren, at this Grand Lodge Communication join with me in a very short but beautiful service of rededication

of the meaning, the true meaning of Freemasonry. The rededication of our faith in God, the Great Architect. A rededication of our belief in His great Fatherhood and in the brotherhood of all men. I think that with the days as they are at this moment — so clouded with confusion — let us start right by a short service, again requesting His presence among us today, His direction and guidance through this and every day. I would leave this service in the hands of our Grand Chaplain, Peter Dawson."

The Grand Chaplain approached the Altar and prayer is offered, after which the Grand Chaplain approaches the East and gave the following.

"Service of Re-dedication to our Masonic Principles and Faith"

The Grand Chaplain: "M.W. Grand Master, distinguished visitors brethren all. I consider it an honor to be asked to speak to you at this Grand Communication. I speak not as the representative of a church or religious body, but as your Grand Chaplain. The M.W. Grand Master has suggested that this be a service of Re-dedication to our Masonic Principles and Faith. In order that we as Masons may measure up to the full discharge of our duties and obligations, it is good for us to refresh ourselves at the fount of All Wisdom, that we may give a reason for the faith that is in us, and that there may come to our minds an inspiration leading us to a renewed study of those great Principles upon which our Craft is founded.

"In the time that is allotted to this service I shall be able only to touch the fringe of the subject matter.

The First fundamental Masonic Principle is a belief in God. From time immemorial Man has manifested the sentimental part of his nature in worshipping something, by him considered Superior. Masons solemnly, and in the presence of many witnesses, have professed a firm belief in God, and that they put their trust in Him. We must confidently expect therefore, that every Mason will understand that he is under moral obligation to seek and do the Will of God, in whom he puts his trust.

There cannot be a belief in God without a corresponding belief in the Immortality of the Soul. Freemasonry teaches that the things that are seen are the things that pass away, and the invisible and spiritual are the things vital and immortal. All through the years there has been the yearning of mankind for an answer to the question, "If a man die shall he live again." The earnest belief of the human race from the earliest times has been and now is "If a man die he shall live again." This universal intuition, so strongly implanted in the race, no matter where, no matter how considered, cannot be refuted.

The Second fundamental Masonic Principle is a belief in, and a reverence for, the Sacred Law, the Holy Bible. The Sacred Law has an honored place in every lodge. No Lodge is properly constituted without it. It is one of the three Great Lights in Masonry. It is a rule and guide to faith. Though men differ in creed and theology, all men

are agreed that within the cover of the Holy Bible are to be found those principles of Morality which lay the foundations upon which to build a righteous life. While adopting no particular creed, Masonry thinks it expedient to leave particular opinions to the individual, and stress only those things that unite. It takes all men by the hand, and leading them to the altar, points to the open Bible, the Great Light in Masonry.

Freemasonry, as we know it, was organized and practiced in England in 1717. Since that time it has spread all over the world. But it has never been instituted in any country, unless it was taken there with an open Bible. In any country where the Bible is a closed book, Masonry has never been allowed to practice the Tenets and Principles on which it was founded. Take for example: in Germany, Freemasonry was a force for good, and temples were established throughout the land. Good men were made better because of it. Then Hitler rose to power and closed the book, and substituted Mein Kampf. As a result the temples today are shambles, its furniture destroyed, and Freemasonry is no longer practiced in that country.

What happened in Germany and Russia can happen here or elsewhere if we lose that reverence and faith in the Sacred Law. When Totalitarianism moves in freedom moves out, and the first book to be closed is the Holy Bible. No other book institutes Freemasonry as we know it, and no other book will continue to allow us to practice it.

The Third fundamental Masonic Principle is brotherly love, belief and truth. These are the three great tenets of a Mason's profession. It is said "Masonry that attempts to live within the four walls of its temple and finds its only expression in its ritual and symbols has missed the very essence of its life." Masonry is the great institution for blessing and uplifting mankind. The Gospel of Democracy is taught more clearly in our beloved Order than in any other organization in the world. It is the gospel that places its value upon life and says "We are going to meet you upon the level, and give you a fair chance to work and become successful." Brethren, whenever we come into contact with a human soul, let us leave it better than we found it.

"The foundation stone of Freemasonry is the uplifting of humanity. No society, sect, or creed has so great an opportunity in this respect as Masonry, so long as we, its members, adhere to the required essentials of meeting upon a common level and always remember our duty to God, our neighbor and ourselves.

Imagine what order would come out of world chaos, if those in high places in the nations of the world, were masons. Many of the great nations of the world no longer think it beneath their dignity to adjust their differences in a court of peace. For this triumph fraternity is entitled to some credit. Implement our masonic teachings in all our dealings with our fellow men and we shall show the way to continued freedom.

"We are exhorted by Holy Writ "As we have opportunity let us do good unto all men" and we add, especially those of the household

of our Masonic faith. "Pure religion and undefiled before God is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world."

"What does the great Teacher tell us in the story of the Good Samaritan Is it not love for our brother? Pure love towards humanity can spring only from love to God. Only he who loves God with all his heart, soul, and strength can, for God's sake, love his neighbor as himself.

"Masons must ever stand ready to bring relief to the needy, comfort to the sorrowing, and stretch forth the helping hand to those that are in distress. Such actions exemplify the doctrine of service.

"We exalt the virtue of Charity because it is an active one. Faith and Hope are passive. One may be idle, yet filled with faith and hope, but one cannot be filled with charity without doing something. One cannot really love without serving. This is the mission of Masonry and the gospel it preaches. From its inception Masonry has ever stood for liberty of conscience, for freedom of intellect, and for the fight of all men to stand erect, unfettered and unafraid, equal before God and the law, each respecting the rights of his fellows.

"And lastly, Brother Masons, it is clear, from a study of the essence of Ancient and Modern Freemasonry, that the final conclusion of the masonic idea for each Free and Accepted Mason is now, and ever has been, the development of character. "Knowingly we receive none into its ranks who are not moral and upright before God, and of good repute before the world."

Masonry stands for integrity and uprightness. The obligation that it requires and enforces can be fully met only by an upright life. A true mason understands that he is expected to be true to his God, his country, his neighbor, and himself. He is bound therefore by a many-sided duty which he can discharge only by being a good man, a patriot, a true husband and father, and a self-respecting citizen.

"Let us then build well upon the foundations already laid, and you, yourselves becoming like living stones, being built into a spiritual house.

"We are building every day
In a good or evil way,
And the structure as it grows
Will our inmost self disclose,
Till in every arch and line
All our faults and failings shine;
It may grow a castle grand
Or a wreck upon the sand.
BUILD it well whate'er you do.
BUILD it straight and strong and true,
BUILD it clean and high and broad,
BUILD it for the eye of God."

The service of re-dedication closed with prayer.

The Grand Master: "Brethren, our thanks to the Grand Chaplain for his direction and his wisdom in his words. Brethren, if you agree with me now we have set our house aright it is perhaps time to go to work for a little while or we won't earn our daily bread. Our first order of business in this Communication is the minutes of the last regular Communication of this Grand Jurisdiction

MINUTES

RESOLVED on motion of R.W. Bro. A. J. Davis, (23), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson, (34).

"That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the 45th Annual Communication held in the City of Edmonton on June 13th and 14th, 1950, and as appeared in the printed proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed."

TELEGRAMS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received extending good wishes for the success of the 46th Communication:

Earl B. Dalzell, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Iowa.

Thomas S. Roy, Grand Master, Boston, Mass.

Walter Lehman, Secretary, Masonic Welfare Association of Central Montana.

The following communications were received expressing regrets for inability to attend:

M.W. Bro. Venerable Archdeacon Middleton, Cardston.

M.W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, Winnipeg.

M.W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Edmonton.

M.W. Bro. Geo. H. Crane-Williams, Toronto.

R.W. Bro. W. H. Chappell, Blairmore.

R.W. Bro. M. A. McIntyre, Edmonton.

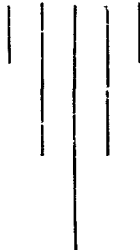
R.W. Bro. Geo. Lomas, Calgary.

R.W. Bro. Charles Elliott, New Jersey, U.S.A.

V.W. Bro. Philip J. Collins, Lethbridge.

W. Bro. J. McArthur, Vancouver.

W. Bro. Frank Chisholm, Wrentham.



GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Alberta,
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

My Brethren:

It is with a genuine and sincere pleasure that I extend to you, one and all, a real Western welcome to this, our Forty-Sixth Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. As this occasion is the climax of my greatest year in Masonry as your Grand Master so it is the happiest moment of my life thus far, and to have so many of my Masonic Brethren of this great jurisdiction as well as very many Distinguished Masons from Sister Jurisdictions in Canada and the U.S.A. present with me, makes me very happy. Coupled with my sincere welcome to you I would like to say "Hello" to all my Brethren throughout the length and breadth of this great Province who cannot be present, and with whom I have labored throughout the years in a spirit of love and harmony for Masonic advancement. I should also like to say "Hello" to many great distinguished Masons—my friends—through this great North American Continent, with whom I have been associated and whose friendship I have enjoyed so sincerely these past years. The encouragement and Masonic knowledge given to me by each of you has made my year more pleasant and profitable and one to long remember.

I am sure you will agree with me that it is a great privilege and pleasure to meet this morning in this beautiful Hotel Palliser in the City of Calgary—the Foothills City of the Canadian Rockies in Sunny Alberta, where the warm Chinook winds bring joy and comfort to our Winters and where the midnight sun and cool showers produce the fine Herefords and wheat with which we help feed the world. God has blessed us with Oil and Natural Resources coupled with a climate and mountains and natural advantages to make it one of Canada's greatest and richest Provinces—Let us be ever grateful. May June with its early sunrise and the chirp of the Robin—its long glorious days of sunshine, and its quiet sunsets in late evening complimented by the song of the lark and the soothing croak of the frog, remind us of the richness, the opportunities, the peace and freedom of our fair Province in which Masonry thrives and should ever play a greater part in preserving and expanding. As we look out upon a world of strife uncertainty suspicion hatred hunger—division—un-Godliness—may we nations who are blessed with peace, plenty and freedom, through the medium of Masonry, create Masons who, as individuals will take their place in society and give it of their Masonic philosophy in whatever capacity God so wills their lives to fill, whether it be a humble occupation or the highest position in their land so that hunger and hatred will no longer exist—so that freedom and peace can prevail. Above all let us see that the world is restored to the beautiful and simple faith in one God—the Great Architect—and that it shall realize that salvation will only come through a true belief in God's will.

In the words of my good Masonic friend—Brother W.A. Ackland of Calgary—I quote his poem:

"The Vision

With tearful eyes I saw the Sun go down
 Upon the tragedy of a world in strife,
 I prayed that e're the night was o'er,
 Strong Faith would bring the dawn of Happier Life

But I rejoiced though anguish rent my heart,
 For God hath given us a Heavenly Dower,
 To be alive in times like these to play a part,
 And share the Glories in the final hour.

Of Victory, when strife and war shall cease,
 And all the powers of darkness are in flight,
 To join once more in Fellowship and Peace
 And see the Glorious Triumph of the Right.

I lifted up my eyes, the clouds fast disappeared,
 The Heavens shone in brilliance! the Earth did wake!
 The Mountains and the Hills in ecstasy clapped and cheered!
 Upon this Sad Torn World I saw the Morn of Victory Break.

THE TREND OF MASONIC THOUGHT

General Montgomery said "Military might will not save this floundering world. It will take inspired leadership to win it away from its mood of distrust and suspicion. The true and ultimate strength of a nation lies in its people, in their strong national character. The key to the whole matter in every Nation lies in Harmony within."

President Turman said - "This is an era of Truth - where Truth must prevail."

Rev. Thos. Roy, Grand Master of Massachusetts said -- We must become activating force that will release the constructive force in mankind that will withstand this race to destruction. "We are privileged men who have seen a vision of what life can be - men who have dreamed a dream of ideal life for humanity and so we are **forever** committed to the task of translating that vision and dream into action."

Rev. Martin, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of California said "Life never has been or will be easy, in hours of danger strength in small numbers can conquer evil in great numbers. Dangerous hours are a prelude of the hour of achievement. Our breakdown today is due to our loss of faith in God. We must rededicate our faith in God and man. We are picked men for principles—character and above all for our faith in God. May our God make us big enough to watch our hour of destiny and make it a bridgehead to a greater tomorrow."

Realizing our great heritage, obligations and possibilities makes me reflect on the high honor and responsibilities you have placed upon my shoulders in electing me as your Grand Master. For this great privilege to serve you I am ever grateful and may I express to you all my deep appreciation for this greatest honor that can be given a Mason. I have never experienced such joy as that which has come from working with you and realizing that by your friendship

and co-operation and happy associations that I have helped you by our working together and by representing you to the Outside Masonic world, to create a greater Masonic influence and advancement and solidarity within our own jurisdiction and throughout our Sister Grand Jurisdictions in Canada and the U.S.A.

OUR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

To have had the privilege this morning of welcoming the members of their respective Grand Lodges and all the Masonic Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction --- as well as our beloved Past Grand Masters and all Distinguished Guests was a rare honor. At this time I would like to pay tribute and give special welcome to our Distinguished Guests. It has been my very great privilege to know them so personally through association with them in Alberta, at the Conferences and Communications at Banff, Saskatchewan, Montana, California, Washington D.C. and Winnipeg. As we have worked together so we have come to know each other, and to have you, my Brethren, here today with us, gives us great pleasure. May we declare you to be our very special Guests. Your presence here encourages us and thrills us and may your visit with us return you the same measure of joy, inspiration and benefit as your presence here gives to us. Please convey to your respective Grand Lodges and to the Grand Bodies whom you represent, our best wishes --- and our earnest prayers that for the great contribution each and all are making to the great force of Freemasonry --- may God continue to favour you with harmonious success which reflects itself in good to all Mankind.

OUR FRATERNAL DEAD

As we are assembled here again we pause in our deliberations to pay tribute of lasting love and affection to those of our loyal Brethren who have served long and well and now have been called by the Great Architect to enter the Grand Lodge above where life shall know no more of the trials and tribulations of this earth but shall be everlasting. May those bereaved be Divinely sustained and comforted in their hour of loss. May I quote again from my good Brother W. A. Ackland:

"The Beyond"

It seemeth such a little way to me
 Across that strange country, The Beyond,
 For it has grown to be
 The Home of those of whom I am so fond,
 And so for me there is no death,
 It is but crossing with abated breath
 A little strip of sea
 To find our loved ones
 Waiting on the shore,
 More beautiful, more precious than before.

Many fine and distinguished Masonic Brethren and Sister and Foreign Jurisdictions with whom we are enjoying close relations have received the call to Higher Service. To their bereaved we extend our heartfelt sympathy. I would ask you to stand in silent tribute to their memory of service and fellowship.

The ranks of our Masonic Brethren in the Grand Lodge of Alberta have been thinned by the passing of 232 members. If I were to mention one it would be R.W. Bro. William A. Ross of Spitzie Lodge No. 6, Pincher Creek, who has served Masonry well during his long life span in the famous Crows Nest Pass area. In the world at large Masonry has suffered the loss of many distinguished and noble leaders—they were guideposts on the highways of Masonry. By their lives and teachings the world has been made better and Masonry has flourished. Of the many I would like to mention these few:

His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, who died suddenly in December 1950. We know that his death was a blow to Masonry in England and throughout the world. His learned counsel was sought by many.

King Gustav of Sweden, M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Sweden and much beloved Monarch who died in October 1950. So great and learned a Mason will long be missed.

M.W. Bro. Walter Stockwell, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of North Dakota, Dean of Grand Secretaries, serving forty years as such in the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, P.G.M., Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, serving thirty-eight years.

M.W. Bro. Walter R. Simpson, P.G.M., Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, serving as such many years.

These Grand Secretaries were known and appreciated over the whole Continent and their loss to their respective Grand Lodges will be severely felt. Their contribution to Freemasonry cannot be measured in words.

Our Grand Chaplin will fittingly refer to the 232 members of our Grand Jurisdiction who have passed through the Portals and entered into Rest.

CONDITION OF MASONRY

As your Grand Master, I have travelled far and wide over our Jurisdiction and it pleases me to report that I find the Condition of Masonry in Alberta excellent. Nearly every Lodge is busily engaged in the work of Masonic advancement by making Masons, building new temples, educating their young members by all available means, visitations and by a greater interest in and appreciation for Grand Lodge. The use of the newly made Mason in degree work is prevalent and the planning of special Lodge meetings is adding much to attendance interest.

It is true a few of our large City Lodges have been proud to form daughter lodges and that is being done. One new daughter Lodge — Canada U. D. — was formed in Calgary and one is in the process of being arranged in Edmonton.

Our Lodges need a greater service by Grand Lodge in the form of lecturers or Panel of Speakers — or a more extended type of visitation, to every rural Lodge by higher Officers of Grand Lodge to assist in the education and stimulation of our Masonic structure.

Our Province is in the throes of tremendous expansion and advancement and our Masonic condition though excellent, could be much improved by the Institution of new Lodges where needed. The call is in now for the possible need of such at several points and I believe this Grand Lodge could do more to interest itself in and assist such areas to arrange and formulate such new Lodges. It is a great blessing to me however, to know there is no discord, no problem unsolved, no reason to prevent me stating that the Condition of Masonry in Alberta is excellent.

MEMBERSHIP

From the Grand Secretary's Report you will see that during the year 1950, 862 members were made Master Masons and with the Affiliated and Restored another 254 added, so our total gains were 1102 members. It is sad to relate a loss of 541 but our gain was 561, so that the steady influx of men of high morals and good character into Masonry is an assurance of continued advancement. With 15,509 Masons in Alberta on December 31st, 1950 and the same steady increase going on — the influx of so great a body upon the life of our Province, added to the same influx by the many thousands of Masons across Canada and the Continent and the world is a relieving factor in man's mind as to the destiny of the world. May we so educate and mould the lives of our new Masons that they may become the leaders of vision and character that will ever increase the influencing power that is directing this world out of the darkness into the light.

VISITATIONS TO OUTSIDE JURISDICTIONS

No Grand Master was ever privileged with a happier year of visitation than I. The friendships and Masonic knowledge I have gathered are beyond words. To represent my Grand Lodge and gain for them recognition, friends and inspiration was a privilege I took seriously, with the delightful company of my Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. George Moore.

My first visitation was made to the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan at Saskatoon, at its Forty-Fourth Annual Communication on June 19th, to 22nd, 1950. The perfection of their hospitality, dignity of procedure, splendor of their Grand Lodge Communication was a revelation. The harmony prevailing throughout their Committee meetings as well as in their Grand Lodge Communication, coupled with the wonderful planning of programme, made it a visit long to be remembered. The interest shown by them in their Grand Lodge relationships to their Constituent Lodges, in their interest in youth — and in their Masonic advancement and education was excellent. To be honored by such a Grand Lodge as that of Saskatchewan, whose Officers and members are so personally well known to me — by their conferring upon me the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of that Grand Jurisdiction, I highly esteem this honor and thank them sincerely for it.

August 15th to 17th, 1950. I visited the M.W. Grand Lodge of Montana at Missoula. I was accompanied by my Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard. To arrive and find such beautiful accommodation waiting, with flowers on the hotel room table for us,

from the Grand Lodge of Montana, really showed that we were among friends and what friends they were. No courtesy or pleasure was omitted. To attend their Grand Communication was a privilege and pleasure long to cherish. Their small differences of District set-up and procedure was interesting and instructive and to see the harmony that prevailed in their transactions and their achievement in educational advancement for the Masons of that Jurisdiction, was a lesson to us. M.W. Bro. Hofseldt and his Officers and the members of their Grand Lodge were just another example of a great Masonic Jurisdiction -- alive to the problem of today and applying its philosophy and instruction to its members for the further advancement of a better world. To be honored by them by being elected as an Honourary Past Grand Master of their Grand Lodge, was an honor unexpected but most sincerely appreciated.

October 7th to 14th, 1950. It was my great privilege to be invited most graciously and to attend the 100th Anniversary of the Communication of the M.W. the Grand Lodge of California at San Francisco. Their invitation went to all Grand Masters and their wives and all Grand Secretaries and their wives of North America. We were their guests for a week -- and I mean guests. The splendor and perfection and enormity of the whole Communication -- left only a memory impossible to describe. With their invitation to the Master Masons of California to attend for the first time in their history and witness the proceedings, brought an attendance of over four thousand. The pagentry and dignity, courtesy of the whole Communication was an inspiration never to be forgotten. There were, I believe, thirty-nine Grand Masters of North America there as guests, of which I was the thirty-first as placed in line of age of our Grand Lodge. Our official reception into their Grand East was glorious, and the many kindnesses of Grand Master Edesworth Meyers, his Officers and members will always be appreciated. The Symphony--the Opera -- the Tours and the Banquets and the Grand Master's Friendship Dinner added to the grandeur of their Communication, made an impression hard to believe possible. My greatest impression from seeing that Grand Lodge in action with four thousand Masons assembled, comprising the Governor of the State, M.W. Bro. Earl Warren--down to the humblest newly made Mason--was the tremendous power of Freemasonry in a world clamoring for leadership and direction. The messages of its great leaders I shall long cherish.

I am sorry to report that I have this day, June 13th, 1951 had to say that I could not personally visit with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba upon their invitation to be with them. By unforeseen circumstances they had to postpone their meeting one week and it falls upon this very day, thus it was impossible that I attend. I do hope that their Grand Master M.W. Bro. Charles Cole, his Officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba have one of the most successful and profitable meetings ever held in their Jurisdiction. To be deprived of again being with such personal friends as M.W. Bro. Charles Cole, Grand Master and M.W. Grand Secretary, Harry Codrington and my many other personal friends in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, is a great disappointment to me.

BANFF CONFERENCE

The Tenth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference of the Officers of the four Western Grand Lodges A.F. and A.M. of Canada, was held

in Banff on September 7th and 8th, 1950. To attend again this Conference as your Grand Master was a delight long looked forward to, as I have attended it since being elected your Senior Grand Warden.

This Conference was again, as usual, highly honored by the following Distinguished Guests from several other Grand Jurisdictions of the Continent.

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

R.W. Bro. F. H. Blyth, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

R.W. Bro. J. A. McM. McMorran, Sr. Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. Hedley Auld, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

R. W. Bro. R. McEwen, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

M.W. Bro. J. H. N. Morgan, Grand Master of Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

R.W. Bro. J. Murray Mitchell, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

M.W. Bro. D. McGougan, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Curran, Jr. Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

M.W. Bro. Percy W. Doles, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana.

M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

R.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta had in attendance:

M.W. Bro. LeRoy W. Bond, Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Waldo F. Empey, Deputy Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard, Senior Grand Warden.

R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Junior Grand Warden.

R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson, Grand Chaplain.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. Geo. H. Crane-Williams, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris, P.G.M.

R.W. Bro. Mallery, D.D.G.M. District No. 18.

W. Bro. Stanley Knight, W.M. Concord Lodge No. 124.

This Conference was held in the Cascade Masonic Hall, Banff, by Courtesy of the Wor. Master and members of Cascade Lodge No. 5. Its management was in the capable hands of M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald as President and R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard as Vice-President with M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis, Secretary assisted by Wor. Bro. Stanley Knight.

The Agenda was as follows:

TENTH ANNUAL INTER-PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE

September 7th, 8th and 9th, 1950

President R.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Vice-President R.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, Secretary, M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis, Assistance Secretary, Wor. Bro. Stanley Knight.

All Conference Sessions to be held in the Cascade Masonic Hall, Banff, by courtesy of the Wor. Master and Members of Cascade Lodge No. 5, Banff, G.R.A.

Thursday, September 7th — Evening Meeting, 8:00 p.m.

The Fraternal Hour and Special Anniversary Address.

President's Opening Remarks.

Word of Welcome by the Wor. Master of Cascade Lodge No. 5.
(Members of Cascade Lodge cordially invited).

Special Speaker — M.W. Bro. Rev. Cannon Geo. H. Crane-Williams, P.G.M., G.R.A.

Friday, September 8th — 9:15 a.m.

President - Call to Order.

Invocation — Rt. Wor. Bro. Rev. Peter Dawson, Grand Chaplain, G.R.A.

President's Report.

Passing of Minutes of 1949 Conference.

Secretary's Report.

FREEMASONRY'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE COLD WAR

R.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, Senior Grand Warden, G.R.A., Grand Lodge of Alberta.

Some Grand Lodge Representative of British Columbia to lead Forum Discussion.

SHOULD OUR WESTERN GRAND LODGES FOSTER A SPECIFIC PROJECT

R.W. Bro. Healey, Senior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

Forum Discussion led by a Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Adjournment

Afternoon Session — 1:45 p.m.

FREEMASONRY'S APPEAL TO YOUTH

M.R. Bro. Hedley Auld, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Forum Discussion led by a Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

GRAND LODGE — ITS NECESSITY, STRUCTURE, AND WORK

M.W. Bro. Cole, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Forum Discussion led by a Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

ANNUAL BANQUET — 6:30 P.M.

Delegates and their ladies will be guests of the Grand Master of Alberta.

Saturday, September 9th Special Golf Game — Time to be announced by the President.

FORUM DISCUSSION**The Responsibilities and Duties of a Worshipful Master**

R.W. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Discussion led by a Representative of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

How can we Stimulate Interest in the Study of our Grand Lodge**Proceedings**

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Discussion led by a Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

Please Note: The President desires a thorough discussion after each paper.

The Secretary requests your kind co-operation in filing copies of addresses immediately after they have been delivered.

Meeting place for 1951.

Election of Officers.

New President's Remarks.

Closing Prayer.

From the above Agenda can be seen the serious side of the Banff Conference. To select any one of the papers presented and name it as a highlight would be impossible. They were all of such great importance and ably given that the total contribution to Masonic advancement was of the finest of any Banff Conference yet held. The value of this great Conference to Masonry in the American North West is outstanding and the opportunity for the Junior Grand Lodge Officers to meet and know each other so personally and to discuss their common problems is of inestimable value. To have it so successfully organized and arranged for by the Secretary M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis of Calgary — for ten consecutive years, proclaims its great worth, and our appreciation will ever be due to M.W. Bro. George Ellis for his part in its success. The written report of all the proceedings going out into many Grand Jurisdictions — and to our own D.D.G.Ms. and all Lodges, should form a great part of their educational programmes. May no action ever prevent the holding of this annual Banff Conference, and may the Grand Lodge of Alberta ever support this institution that maintains such a high rating as a Masonic Conference in the American North West. The address of M.W. Bro. George H. Crane-Williams, P.G.M., Alberta, to this Conference and especially at the Grand Masters' Banquet, will long be remembered.

CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS OF MASONS IN NORTH AMERICA

It was indeed an honor and a privilege to represent the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta at this Conference, held in Washington, D.C.

at the Statler Hotel on February 20th and 21st, 1951, and the opportunity to again meet with those Grand Masters of North America whom I had come to know so well at our Banff Conference and whom I met at the One-Hundredth Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of California — was a pleasure beyond words. The 4 o'clock Tea on February 19th gave us this opportunity to again meet and also to make many new acquaintances. The Conference was called to order on Tuesday, February 20th at 9:30 a.m. by M.W. Bro. Karl Mohr, who, due to the absence of the appointed chairman, M.W. Bro. Reginald Goldsmith, Grand Master of Vermont, was made Chairman. The Agenda was as follows:

THE SPIRITUAL FORCE OF FREEMASONRY

Wallace E. Caldwell, Grand Master of North Carolina, Professor of Ancient History, University of North Carolina.

INAUGURATING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Morgan J. Smead, Grand Master of Michigan.

A UNIFORM BASIS FOR RECOGNITION

C. Wheeler Barnes, Grand Master of Colorado.

Discussion Leaders:

Nelson T. Roach, Grand Master of Arizona.

Frederick C. Hessemeyer, Grand Master of Connecticut.

Glen G. Radcliffe, Grand Master of Iowa.

William E. Yeager, Grand Master of Pennsylvania.

Walter O. Helwig, Grand Master of Wisconsin.

FREEMASONRY AND ITS MEMBERS

Gail Huhn, Grand Master of Washington.

FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH

Francis Hedley Auld, Grand Master of Saskatchewan, Chancellor. University of Saskatchewan.

CANDIDATE INVESTIGATION

Okey S. Sheets, Grand Master of West Virginia.

In the opening address of welcome by M.W. Bro. D. S. Davison, Grand Master of District of Columbia, he said "Every Mason should be a man of character — unafraid to proclaim our principles and to oppose any force that would destroy us. Standing on the edge of potential disaster — we must not fear our enemies — they should be made to know of our principles and that we stand for justice to mankind."

M.W. Bro. John S. Hedelund, Grand Master of Nebraska in reply said "Men who set up money as their standard sell their souls for silver and contribute to the downfall of mankind. Love of honor, not riches, is the delight of man at the finish of life. The idea of an everliving all powerful God is greater than knowledge and material welfare. Masonry has this spiritual power, without which she could not exist.

The Agenda papers were masterpieces and gave such inspiration and a world of benefit that space here does not permit their cover-

age. This material is all published and a copy sent to our Grand Lodge.

The greatest inspiration to Freemasons derived from attendance at this great gathering of Masonic Leaders is perhaps the witnessing of Masonry's great strength — the leadership of the world when seen gathered together in such numbers with the President of the United States of America, M.W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, P.G.M. of Missouri — the many Members of his Cabinet and all the Grand Masters of North America together with many other distinguished Masons.

The Presidential Breakfast tendered by that distinguished Mason, M.W. Bro. Frank S. Land, P.G.M. of Missouri, to the Conference members in honor of M.W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, P.G.M. of Missouri, was an event long to be remembered and our sincere thanks go to him for that wonderful invitation to attend with him on that occasion. The good that he has done for Freemasonry by this generous act can never be measured.

From the inspiring messages given at this Presidential Breakfast, may I quote:

Fred Vinson — Chief Justice Supreme Court — "We must now unite and postpone all non-essentials and seek preservation. Our people fail to keep up with the teachings of God — we have gotten away from his moorings in the confusion — we are as a ship in the fog. No one person to blame for its floundering. The God we knew has in His plan to give people a right to worship in freedom and has in fact that today. It is a part of evolution and we play a great part in it."

Sam Rayburn — Speaker of the House of Representatives. — "You must be leaders in your country; one whose words are listened to. The price of freedom is inconvenience. In our trials we will speak and act as one."

Dean Acheson — Secretary of State. — "Respond to good leadership. Do not think of collapse and disaster. There is no disaster except by our failure to respond to leadership."

General George Marshall — Secretary of Defense. — "Youth is the strength of a nation. We need availability of men as well as material."

The final and great message of M.W. Harry S. Truman left no Mason in doubt as to his purpose—The president said—"All our efforts are now to KEEP THE PEACE. We can prevent war if we mobilize our moral forces against the immoral forces, for this—all must sacrifice. Go back to your homes and mobilize your moral forces who believe in the Sermon on the Mount, in God, in the fact that people should be free. Unite these moral forces to combat the forces of immorality."

I commend these great truths and Masonic messages to you — and may they inspire you as they have me. It was our privilege to meet and shake hands with the President, M.W. Harry S. Truman.

At the close of the Conference there was a Committee meeting called arising out of the paper on "A Uniform Basis for Recognition"

—of Grand Lodges, when M.W. Bro. Wm. E. Yeager, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, moved that a Committee of five or seven be appointed to study the possibility of forming a Board or Bureau on Recognition of Foreign Jurisdictions and to report at the next Grand Masters' Conference. This Committee meeting under the Chairmanship of M.W. Bro. Ray Denslow, held some very interesting discussions and much good could come from their report next year.

At the close of the Conference we were taken by bus on Thursday, 22nd February, to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Temple at Alexandria, Va.

The Luncheon and inspection of that Great Memorial Temple and its museum was greatly enjoyed. In conclusion may I say that a Conference of Grand Secretaries of North America also held at the same time as the Grand Masters' Conference and I was sorry indeed that it was not arranged that our Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore attend. Many of the leading Grand Secretaries of North America enquired for him, and our Grand Lodge lost much by not having him there. May our Grand Lodge long continue its membership in this Conference and be represented at its meetings by its Grand Master and Grand Secretary. The next Conference will be held in Washington, D.C. in February 1952.

ALL CANADA CONFERENCE — GRAND LODGES

Freemasonry in Canada became more closely knit and a greater feeling of unity and understanding was created at this second All-Canada Grand Lodge Conference, called at the Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, Manitoba on February 26th 27th and 28th, 1951. The Agenda and programme was as follows:

Monday, February 26th

2 p.m. — Meeting called to order, — M.W. Bro. Geo. G. Wood, Chairman presiding.

- (1) Invocation.
 - (2) Welcome by Chairman.
 - (3) Welcome by Grand Master of Manitoba.
 - (4) Appointment of Nominating Committee to report on:
 - (a) Officers and Committee for next Conference.
 - (b) Time and place of next Conference.
 - (5) Presentation of papers on topics, to be selected from the list appended hereto by the Chairman as time may permit.
- 5:15 p.m. — Meeting adjourns.
- 7:00 p.m. — Formal dinner (tuxedos.) Guest Speaker.

Tuesday, February 27th

- 9:30 a.m. — Meeting resumed.
- (6) Presentation of topics in order selected by the Chairman.
- 1:00 p.m. — Meeting adjourns for lunch.
- 2:00 p.m. — Meeting resumed if required. Otherwise afternoon shall be free.
- No special arrangements for dinner.

Wednesday, February 28th.

9:30 a.m. - Meeting resumed.

(7) Reporting of Nominating Committee.

(8) Election of Officers.

(9) Time and place of next Conference.

(10) Presentations of topics in order selected by the Chairman.

(11) Open Forum.

(12) Closing prayer.

1:00 p.m. - Conference closed.

SECOND CANADIAN CONFERENCE — 1951**List of Topics**

1. Masonic relief and its relation to present day social legislation;
(a) Should Benevolent Fund Capital Accounts be limited in amount?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

Discussion by Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

2. Should Masonic Functions and projects receive more publicity?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

3. Freemasonry in South America:

(a) Should there be uniform Canadian recognition?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

4. What steps should Freemasonry take, if any, to the opposition of some Protestant churches?

(a) Has Freemasonry any obligation to the Church?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

5. How can Freemasonry best serve in a National Emergency?

(a) At home.

(b) Abroad.

Presented by the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland (England).

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

6. Freemasonry and Youth - What is our obligation?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

7. Are Masonic Lodges looked upon in the same high regard today as in the past?

(a) Have our standards been lowered?

(b) To what degree has inefficiency or otherwise of Lodge officers been responsible for this trend?

(c) Do we honor our obligations?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

8. Lodge of Research. (Tuesday Night).

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Discussion: — "Open Forum".

SECOND CONFERENCE OF GRAND LODGES, A.F. & A.M. OF CANADA

Held at Winnipeg, Manitoba, February 26, 27, 28, 1951



J. F. Erwin	Manitoba	G. A.	Manitoba	Ontario	Pr. Edward	R. A. Gordon	Island	McDougall
J. P. Mowat	Manitoba	McMorran	C. A. Dixon	R. E. Kemp	Island	Fr. Edward	L. A.	Fr. Edward
W. F. Empey	New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	C. L. Roman	H. Coddington	F. H. Blythe	P. S. Cochrane	S. H. Fahniel	R. V. Harris
S. Portland	Alberta	Alberta	Quebec	Manitoba	Manitoba	Nova Scotia	Manitoba	Nova Scotia
V. A. Bowes	Manitoba	Wm. Douglas	W. H. Jackson	S. E. Knight	Geo. Moore	C. Lemmon	F. H. Auld	J. W. Buckland
		Manitoba	Alberta	Alberta	Alberta	Nova Scotia	Saskatchewan	Quebec
						Brunswick		
G. G. Wood	Fr. Edward Island	J. P. Maher	L. W. Bond	H. M. Standish	D. J. McLean	J. M. Mitchell	L. F. Crothers	
		Ontario	Alberta	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	British Columbia	Quebec	

9. Masonic Education:

(a) Are we obtaining results for efforts expended?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Discussion by the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

10. Should constituent Lodges give publicity through local publication?

Presented by the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

Discussion by the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland (England).

11. Time and place of next Conference.

12. Election of Officers.

13. Open Forum.

14. Conference closed — Benediction.

The Grand Masters of eight Grand Lodges in Canada were present and the Deputy Grand Master of British Columbia. We were all sorry that R.W. Bro. George Williams, Provincial Grand Master of the English Provincial Grand Lodges of Newfoundland, could not be present and that illness prevented our good friend and distinguished Mason M.W. Bro. F. H. Morgan, Grand Master of British Columbia, from being present personally. Their Grand Lodges were ably represented.

Many of the Past Grand Masters and Junior Officers of the Canadian Grand Lodges were also present, with five from Alberta, including the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy W. Bond; Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore, Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Waldo F. Empey, Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson and Wor. Brother Stanley Knight who acted as recorder of the Conference.

M.W. Bro. George G. Wood, Past Grand Master of Prince Edward Island, was Chairman, and his influence and ability did much to secure the success of the Conference. The papers presented were all important to Canadian Freemasonry and brought out much discussion for its advancement. From the Agenda one can see that the topics discussed were most important to Masonic problems of today. Copy of the Minutes will be received by our Grand Lodge in due course.

A meeting of the Canadian Masonic Research Association was held in the Masonic Temple, presided over by M.W. Bro. Reginald Harris, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia. A most interesting paper was read by Bro. Inspector Blakefield-Moore of the R.C.M.P., dealing with the early history of the R.C.M. Police in Western Canada. This paper provoked a great deal of interest and considerable discussion took place. This was later followed by M.W. Bro. Wm. S. Douglas, Historian of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. From a historical point of view, both these papers were very valuable and Canadian Freemasonry is fortunate indeed that there are those willing and able to record the early Masonic history of the West before it is forgotten.

A wonderful Banquet was tendered the Conference by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba with M.W. Bro. Charles Cole, Grand Master of Manitoba as congenial host. The Guest Speaker was Wor. Bro. Evans, Principal of Brandon College, Manitoba.

The next All Canada Conference of Canadian Grand Lodges will be held in Quebec about February 25th, 1953, (at the close of the Washington Conference). The Chairman will be M.W. Bro. C. L. Roman, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, with the same efficient and learned Secretary, R.W. Bro. E. G. Dixon, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. This All Canada Conference is all important to the good relationship of our Grand Lodges and the part that the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario plays in its maintenance and value should be long appreciated.

In my foreign visitations I had the great pleasure of attending as your Grand Master with Olive Branch Lodge in Millburg, Mass. on February 12th, 1951, accompanied by my Brother-in-Law Bro. George F. Wright of Athelston Lodge, Worcester, Mass., and Bro. John McKie, Senior Warden of Olive Branch Lodge. This Lodge is nearest replica of original George Washington Alexandra Lodge in existence and got its Charter from M.W. Bro. Paul Revere, Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts in 1796. I was introduced and given the gavel and seated to the right of the Wor. Master, W. Bro. E. Kendall Morgan — in a chair occupied, on September 14th, 1942, by Bro. William Howard Taft the then President of the United States of America.

On February 13th, 1951. I attended with my nephew Bro. Merrill W. Wright, at his Lodge in Auburn, Mass., known as Joel H. Prouty Lodge, and was royally received.

On February 14th, 1951. I attended with Wor. Bro. Herbert Bull at his Lodge — Athelston Lodge at Worcester, Mass., of which Lodge he was a Past Master. I was greeted there by the D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Leonard Rawn on behalf of the Grand Master of Massachusetts, M.W. Bro. Rev. Thos. S. Roy. I was introduced and accepted the gavel from the D.D.G.M. and later witnessed the conferring of the Entered Apprentice Degree, in the most impressive manner I have ever seen it presented, for it was given to each of the four Candidates, one at a time up to a point — stressing forcibly the spiritual side of the ritual. In Washington D.C. I later met the Grand Master of Massachusetts, M.W. Bro. Rev. Thos. S. Roy, and his Masonic leadership and knowledge inspired me.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

At the close of our Grand Lodge on June 14th, 1950 when I assumed the Office of Grand Master, I called my eighteen D.D.G.Ms. together at luncheon. It was nice to meet each one personally and to know them. I felt that they were the choice of their respective Districts to represent them as their D.D.G.M. and that they were so elected because they were Masons of highly respected character and ability. I therefore instructed them that their Districts were in their charge — and that they were to visit and work with their Lodges, and call a District Meeting to the liking of the Masons in their District, arrange a programme. If invited I would be glad to attend with them as their guest. All I asked was that by their initiative and ingenuity they make me proud of their stewardship. In all eighteen District Meetings I was most proud of them. The outcome of this plan was that each District Meeting was distinctive and characteristic of the D.D.G.M. and the Masons of that District. Each meeting was

wonderfully planned and most interesting, and in many cases had an attendance record that exceeded all records and in all cases the attendance and interest was most gratifying.

From the Peace River District No. 13, meeting at Grand Prairie in the North to Milk River District No. 7 in the South, District No. 1 at Banff in the West and District No. 14 at Oyen in the East and all District Meetings contained therein, the spirit of Freemasonry was excellent and I shall long cherish the friendships' the many kindnesses and the happy hours I experienced with you. To have made you happy has made me happy, and the mutual good we did each other in promoting a better understanding of Freemasonry and the relationship between Grand Lodge and the Constituent Lodge — I hope will long endure.

To my Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore, who accompanied me to all eighteen District Meetings and to R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, J.G.W., who attended all but two with me, and to my other Grand Lodge Officers and the many Past Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied me on these visitations, I cannot find words to thank you. This support and encouragement did so much to enable me to give of my best and to assist in the encouragement and help to the Districts and the many Lodges we visited.

Of all District Meetings — the one held in District No. 13, Peace River country is perhaps one of the most interesting to describe for it entails such distance of travel, some eight hundred miles from Calgary. Our meeting was held at Grande Prairie on Wednesday, July 19th, 1950. It was a real Masonic Pilgrimage for us for our loyal and esteemed Brethren, Wor. Bro. James M. McArthur, General Manager of Northern Alberta Railways and Bro. Jack Deacon, his General Supt., offered their private cars — the "Peace River and the Donvegan" — to take us from Edmonton into Dawson Creek and return, as their guests. The trip, with the weather so perfect and the scenery marvellous. The food and comforts on the private cars were something most delightful. When we arrived at Grand Prairie at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 19th, we attended the District Meeting held in the Elks Hall — with one of the largest suites a Grand Master could ever wish for on that grand Pilgrimage. Attending me were M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Sam Harris, George Moore (Grand Secretary), F. P. Galbraith, John Martland and S.G.W., R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard, J.G.W. R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, D.D.G.M. District No. 13 R.W. Bro. D. W. Patterson, P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Wm. Betts, P. G. Steward, V.W. Bro. Fred Kavanagh, and our good Brothers W. Bro. J. M. McArthur and Bro. Jack Deacon. To M.W. Bro. Sam Harris is due my very sincere thanks for all the splendid arrangements he made for our comforts and pleasures while in his beautiful Peace River country.

On Thursday, July 20th we drove by car from Grande Prairie on to Fort St. John where we paid an afternoon courtesy call of friendship with the British Columbia Brethren of Fort St. John and Dawson Creek Lodges. This was a splendid meeting, and the fellowship around the buffet lunch table after, was really great. It was hard to leave so many friends and such a fine time and return to Calgary. The Masonic interest and desire for improvement is so

evident there with most all Lodges, building new Lodge Halls, and the attendance and interest is excellent.

So, on to all the District Meetings — such veritable Masonic Paradise, where real fellowship, great thoughts and eager minds of the new Mason, all went to make every one a highlight and very much appreciated by all.

The listing of District Meetings is as follows:

District	Place	D.D.G.M.	Date-1950
No. 13	Grande Prairie	R.W. Bro. D. W. Patterson	July 19.
No. 1	Banff	R.W. Bro. Leslie J. Rosling	Sept. 9.
No. 18	Calgary	R.W. Bro. Harry A. Mallery	Sept. 30.
No. 16	Standard	R.W. Bro. F. D. Knowlton	Oct. 4.
No. 14	Oyen	R.W. Bro. R. L. Wood	Oct. 5.
No. 3	Edmonton	R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson	Oct. 17.
No. 12	Edmonton	R.W. Bro. W. J. McCullough	Oct. 18.
No. 10	Vegreville	R.W. Bro. F. G. Miller	Oct. 19.
No. 17	Holden	R.W. Bro. D. H. Allan	Oct. 20.
No. 9	Stettler	R.W. Bro. K. A. Cameron	Oct. 25.
No. 4	Olds	R.W. Bro. R. F. Anderson	Nov. 1.
No. 15	Trochu	R.W. Bro. A. G. Warren	Nov. 2.
No. 5	Alliance	R.W. Bro. P. R. Elliott	Nov. 3.
No. 2	Medicine Hat	R.W. Bro. J. R. W. Cann	Nov. 8.
No. 11	Barons	R.W. Bro. P. J. Asplund	Nov. 14.
No. 8	Coleman	R.W. Bro. M. W. Cooke	Nov. 15.
No. 7	Milk River	R.W. Bro. P. C. Engle	Nov. 16.
No. 6	Stavely	R.W. Bro. H. A. Gates	Nov. 20.

To R.W. Bro. Chas. Garnett, my Representative to Yellowknife Lodge No. 162, I wish to express my appreciation for his excellent work in that area as my Representative. It was a pleasure to meet him in Edmonton and learn of his work and his expression of a hope for one or more new Lodges that might develop in the far North.

LODGE VISITATIONS

For the many invitations to visit with my Constituent Lodges I will ever be grateful. It was always a delight to be invited and I tried never to fail a Lodge request. The installations—very special nights—nights of Degree work — and regular nights all added up to a most inspiring realization of what Masonry is and can be in a man's life. To my many Brethren who were so kind to me and to those who attended with me on all these occasions, and for the moose, duck, and all the splendid Special night programmes, I wish to thank you sincerely. Those were great nights for Masonry — may there be many more. I list now my visitations:

1950, June 23rd Hanna Lodge No. 78 — Youth Night.
 June 26th Irricana Lodge No. 137 — Grand Master's Reception.
 June 28th Hussar Lodge No. 130 — Installation — with M.W.
 Bro. H. B. Macdonald Installing Master.
 July 20th Fort St. John, B.C. — Courtesy.
 Sept. 14th Bassano No. 55 — Railroad Night.
 Nov. 6th Strathmore No. 53 — Annual Duck Dinner.
 Nov. 7th Vulcan No. 74 — Annual Game Dinner.

Nov. 25th St. Mark's No. 118 — Past Masters' Night — 30th Anniversary.

Dec. 5th Kenilworth No. 29 — Annual Moose Dinner.

Dec. 16th Concord No. 124 -- Installation.

Dec. 19th Irricana No. 137 - Installation.

Dec. 20th Bow River No. 1 -- Installation.

Dec. 26th Crescent No. 87 - Installation.

Dec. 27th Mount Lebanon No. 54 — Installation.

1951, Jan 8th Lodge Renfrew No. 134 — Installation.

Jan. 10th Innisfail No. 8 — Installation.

Jan. 28th Masonic Church Service, Districts No. 1 and 18.

March 13th King Hiram No. 21 — Fraternal Visit.

March 14th Canada Lodge U.D. — Instituted.

March 16th Calgary No. 23 — Annual Irish Night.

March 21st Bow River No. 1 -- Surprise Night.

March 28 Dominion No. 117 -- Annual City Police Night.

April 2nd Strathmore No. 53 — Fraternal Visit.

April 3rd Corinthian No. 22 — Fraternal Visit.

April 6th Irricana No. 137 - Social Evening.

April 7th Concord No. 124 — Fraternal Visit.

April 12th Nanton No. 17 — Past Masters' Night with Degree work as practised fifty years ago.

April 16th Cavell No. 125 — Fraternal Visit.

April 17th Irricana No. 137 — Fraternal Visit.

April 24th Crescent No. 87 — Annual English Night.

April 25th Ivanhoe No. 142 — 26th Anniversary Dinner at McDonald hotel, Edmonton.

April 26th Coronation No. 72 — With Beaver Lodge No. 56 and Monitor Lodge No. 120.

April 27th Apollo No. 27 -- Father and Son Banquet.

May 1st Perfection No. 9 — Fraternal Visit.

May 2nd Calgary Masonic Bowling League dinner and prize awards.

May 3rd Zetland No. 83 — Fraternal Visit.

May 8th Gateway No. 164 — Fraternal Visit.

May 8th Representing Grand Lodge to Annual Communication of Grand Council R.S. and M. Cryptic Rite.

May 9th Representing Grand Lodge to Annual Communication Grand Chapter R.A.M.

May 10th Acacia No. 11 — Fraternal Visit.

May 19-20th Central Montana Masonic Service Association.

May 21st Empire No. 63 — 21st Annual Empire Night.

May 25th King George No. 59 — Fraternal Visit.

June 1st Provost No. 61 - Fortieth Anniversary.

There is no way to single out and describe any of the above visitations. Words fail to do justice to the sincerity and happiness evidenced at all times. These are occasions a Grand Master will never forget and should not miss.

I feel, however, I must mention a few. My own Mother Lodge Irricana No. 137. Their reception to me on June 26th — my first official call as Grand Master -- will ever remain with me as a great tribute by a wonderful Lodge to their own Grand Master. It was a night of Masonic perfection in Brotherly love. Their gift to me of a

gavel, properly inscribed, will long be cherished and will be used by me at this Grand Lodge Communication. To my Brethren of Irricana Lodge No. 137 and to all those also in my District No. 15 — I will be ever grateful for your pride and pleasure in my election to Masonry's highest Office. I pray I shall ever merit your trust.

If you walk as a friend you will find a friend wherever you chose to fare;

If you go with mirth to a far strange land you will find that mirth is there.

For the strangest part of this queer old earth is that like will join with like;

And who walks with love for his fellow-man an answering love will strike.

If you walk in honor then honest men will meet you along the way;

But if you are false you will find men false wherever you chance to stray.

For good breeds good and bad breeds bad, we are met by the traits we show;

Love will find a friend at the stranger's door where hate will find a foe.

For each of us builds the world he knows, which only himself can spoil;

And an hour of hate or an hour of shame can ruin a life of toil;

And though to the utmost ends of the earth your duty may bid you fare,

If you go with truth and a friendly heart you will find friends waiting there.

DIVINE SERVICE

It was always a delight to me to note on Lodge Notices that a Divine Service was to be held. The inspiration and moral effect on the Masonic Order and the world at large is ever increased by such an occasion. I wish to commend my D.D.G.M.'s of Districts No. 1 and 18, R.W. Bro. Leslie J. Rosling and R.W. Brother Harry A. Mallery, for the wonderful Church Parade of these two Districts jointly, held on Sunday, January 28th, 1951 at Central United Church with over 350 Masons in regalia attending. The message by Rev. G. B. Switzer, was inspiring, and the arrangements by Bro. Rev. Gordon Lapp were much appreciated.

CREATING A NEW LODGE

On March 14th, 1951 -- Canada Lodge U.D. was Instituted, with thirty-three Masons as Charter members, including our beloved P.G.M., M.W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell. This was an event much to be thankful for, as it shows the growth of Freemasonry in our Province. The good will of all Lodges in this District No. 18 expressed to Canada Lodge, left no one uncertain of their future. I pray that more of our larger Lodges will see fit to encourage the formation of Daughter Lodges, as Crescent Lodge in this case. I wish for Canada Lodge a long life of Masonic riches. It will make a good home for many Un-Affiliated Masonic Brethren.

GRAND LODGE BULLETIN

Under the direction of M.W. Bro. Sam Harris as Editor, we have the Grand Lodge Bulletin. This Bulletin is a great credit to its Editor and to our Grand Lodge. Its circulation was over 11,800 copies in June 1951. It is widely read and used in our Lodges and many reprints from it are used in other foreign Grand Lodge publications, all of which proves its great worth. Our thanks go to M.W. Bro. Sam Harris for this fine contribution he is making daily to Masonic advancement.

APPOINTMENT OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

There were no vacancies, I am glad to report, in the list of Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges near our Grand Jurisdiction.

On the recommendation of their respective Grand Masters, I approved and confirmed the appointment of the following as Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Alberta near the following Grand Lodges:

Julian B. McConnell, Atlanta, Georgia. Robert I. Berry, Anderson, Indiana. Edwin L. Waldron, Simsboro, Louisiana. G. Nelson Furbeck, Mexico City, Mexico (York). Archie A. Gartner, E. Providence, Rhode Island. Jas. S. Williamson, Bathgate, Scotland.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA — HISTORIAN

I am pleased to announce the appointment of M.W. Bro. Sam Harris as Grand Historian of this Grand Lodge, with the commission to prepare the history of this Grand Lodge and have it ready for publication on our Fiftieth Anniversary in 1955. He will call upon many Lodges and individual Masonic Brethren for their historical data, and I trust he will have whole-hearted co-operation. I feel that his good office as Editor of the Bulletin, his natural ability for gathering data, and his love of correspondence and knowledge of our Masonic growth, will well fit him for this task. I trust this appointment will meet with the approval of all.

FULFILLMENT OF PAST RECOMMENDATIONS

By the desire expressed at the last Communication, I have appointed a Committee headed by M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, and consisting of R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard, M.W. Bro. F. P. Galbraith and M.W. Bro. George Moore, to bring in such constitutional changes as are necessary to implement the better working and greater service of this Grand Lodge. I trust you will receive their Notices of Motion and act thereon to your best interests.

A panel of Speakers is also being arranged and if successful, I trust they will be found a great asset to the Lodges seeking Masonic enlightenment.

Regarding the report of M.W. G. M. Blackstock, at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, where in his conclusion he recommended a new Committee be appointed by the in-coming Grand Master to further study the need or desire of the Grand Lodge to enter upon some field of endeavor other than Benevolence. I considered this Report so complete and final, and knowing of no desire

by any Lodge to pursue the idea further, I have dropped the whole matter for now and recommended that such a Committee be appointed and the matter re-opened when any Grand Master may deem it advisable.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I would highly recommend to this Grand Lodge that a special fund be established and set aside to be known as the "Grand Lodge Building Fund", to be added to each year by a stated amount for the purpose of acquiring suitable land and erecting a suitable Grand Lodge Building or for assisting in the same way to building and improving the present location at such time as the Masonic Temple decides to expand their building, if such arrangements seem more adequate and suitable at that time. I feel that our Grand Lodge office should be enlarged in the matter of filing space and equipment and that an assistant to our Grand Secretary should be employed to work with the stenographer in the running of the outer office and caring for the general work and bookkeeping. Our Grand Secretary should be left to watch over it all, and to care for the real work of a Grand Secretary in his inner office, which is the gathering of Masonic research and data and establishing a greater service in advice and direction to Lodges and Lodge Secretaries — to care for the relations between this Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges, and to work more generally out in the Lodges in Masonic education.

CONCLUSION

I wish here to thank the members of my Finance and Benevolent Committees for the splendid work they have done for this Grand Lodge in my year. I have watched over and taken part in their work and they have been most considerate and faithful.

To my Grand Secretary, M.W. Brother George Moore, I can only say thanks with a heavy heart for the wonderful year of his life he has given me. He has been most kind and helpful, and I fear I have not done all I could to bring him the same happiness he has given me. I know that the blizzards, cold and wind have taken their toll on his health and may his sacrifice in everything personal be found to be a small price for all the kindness and friendship that was shown him in all his travels throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. He now needs a good vacation and a better reward for his service as Grand Secretary.

To Miss Butler who assists our Grand Secretary in the work of Grand Lodge Office. May I say how happy I am that I have this opportunity of thanking you for your many kind services and your always pleasant way of making the difficult tasks of getting out reports, seem so easy.

As for myself, may you ever be mindful that the path of a Grand Master is not all roses. His sacrifice is great. It is no easy road to honor, and no one should attempt it without health, youth, means and time - but also be assured, it was well worth while when at the close of my year I can recall no enemies - only friends by the thousands - Masons who were glad to see me, and were happier when we parted. We worked hard and long to improve Freemasonry in Alberta, and if I have made a contribution that is acceptable to

you, I am satisfied. It's been a glorious year — made easier by your ready acceptance and loyal support. Please give to the in-coming Grand Master that same love and assistance. To you all I owe a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid.

“Beautiful Life is that whose span
Is spent in duty to God and Man.”

The task of speculative Freemasonry is to build men. The tools are symbols of the standards of life which enable man to find life at its best. The end of Masonic effort is the serving of God, not by erection of dead stones but by erection of living stones into a spiritual temple of eternal value.

Freemasonry seeks to make man conscious of his inherent greatness — his own worth — you are not a chattel at the disposal of governments, but one of inherent right to have a voice in Government and the ordering of your own life.

We are those who face the future, we are and must always be a force to be reckoned with. Others must know us as men of integrity and vision, who can be depended upon to stand for those values that make for stability in a democracy. Freemasonry is not a religion but it is of necessity a great spiritual force. It is the projection of a great moral force into the life of a community. It is the assertion of truth. Its power will batten down falsehoods — the assertion of right that by its might will destroy wrong. The assertion of all that is best in man to oppose all that is worst in the world.

We face a world today that searches for an activating force that will release a destructive power so great that it is beyond imagination.

That is the world whose possibilities we have to match today. Can we become the activating force in mankind that will withstand the race of destruction.

Freemasonry is no ivory tower — no escape from the problems and tensions that are inevitable in a Democracy. Freemasonry is not an escape from the obligations of life, playing at Brotherhood as a substitute for an acceptance of the realities of brotherhood, which it is said by some “takes away all of our cushions and leaves us with a cross.”

We must think of Freemasonry as that which we can release as a great redemptive power in the world. You are privileged men who have seen a vision of what life can be, men who have dreamed a dream of the ideal life for humanity and are **forever committed** to the task of translating the vision and dream into action.

May I close with the words of a poem sent me by my dear Masonic friend and brother, Wor. Bro. Harry Minchin.

“I do not ask my God for mystic power
To heal the sick and lame, the deaf, the blind,
I humbly ask Thee for the gracious power,
Just to be kind.

I do not ask to see the shining beauty
Of highest knowledge, most divinely true;
I only ask that knowing well my duty
This I may do.

I do not ask that men with flattering finger
Should point me out within the crowded mart,
But only that the thought of me may linger
In one glad heart.

I would not rise above the man below me
Or pulling at the robes of those above;
I would that friends, a few dear friends,
Should know me, and knowing, love.

I do not pray for Palaces or splendor
So far amid the world's delights to roam;
I only ask to know the meaning tender
Of Home Sweet Home.

I do not ask that Heaven's golden treasure
Upon my little blundering life be spent
But Oh! I ask Thee for the perfect pleasure
Of Calm Content.

Faithfully and fraternally submitted,

LEROY W. BOND, Grand Master.

RESOLVED on motion of M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), seconded by M.W. Bro. Sam Harris (88), "That the Grand Master's Address as presented be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address".

The Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment at 12:20 p.m.

FIRST DAY (Afternoon Session)

LABOUR RESUMED

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 2:20 p.m.

The Grand Master: "Brethren, my first pleasant duty on the resumption of business this afternoon is to declare R.W. Bro. W. F. Empey to be the Grand Master of Masons in the Grand Jurisdiction of Alberta by acclamation. R.W. Bro. Empey: "I wish to express my deep appreciation of the great honor you have conferred upon me by electing me to this very important position. I am not going to take any time now making any remarks but I will solicit your support so that during the coming year we may all be happy and work together in the great design of communicating happiness."

The Grand Master: "In R.W. Bro. Empey, my Brethren, you will find a man deep in thought, kindly in disposition; just take him in your arms; and give him the best in you."

The Grand Master: "I would like at this time to announce the selection of Officers of this Grand Jurisdiction to the Board of Scrutineers, under the chairmanship of M.W. Bro. W. Ireland:

Brothers R. J. Bradley; John Booth; John Little; Geo. Cruickshank; John Begg; J. Henderson; Jas. McGhee; Geo. White; Jack Stewart; Malcolm Brodie; F. Whitfield; J. Ferguson; J. Denholme; R. F. Lawrence.

The Grand Master: "Brethren, we will do just a little bit of work for a moment and then we are going to have a very happy thing happen here. We are going to receive the Grand representatives of other Masonic bodies. Perhaps we will work for a little while and perhaps we will enjoy it a little better."

The Grand Master: The Grand Chaplain will present a report on the Fraternal dead:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the M.W. The Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. and A.M., G.R.A.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Fraternal Dead beg to report as follows.

With the passing of the year there has also been the passing of many of our beloved brethren, and while no words of ours can add peace to their ashes or sweetness to their sleep, we beg to place on record our tribute of affection and esteem.

In the volume of the sacred law we read that "It is appointed to men once to die". This is a truth which admits no argument. It was true yesterday, it is true today and it will be true tomorrow. Death is an experience that everyone must undergo. It may come in the morning of life, at noonday, or the evening shadows. Sometimes it waits till the tree of life is withered. It gives warning of its ap-

proach by robbing the vigorous limbs of their strength, by whitening the locks, by dimming the brightness of the eye and causing the elastic step to become feeble and wavering. But it does not always give such warning. It comes at times without warning to robust youth and vigorous manhood and when one is in the flower of his usefulness. No one knows when the call will come. But this we may be sure, it will come.

Death has nothing, however, to do with our innermost selves, It has only to do with this poor frail tenement of clay. It only affects the surface. It never affects the soul of things. We do not think of our brethren as dead. No true Mason can ever think of them as such. With our teaching of immortality we think of them as promoted, as living on in some far off better clime. We cannot think that those splendid qualities of mind and heart have ceased to exist. There is that within each of us which no grave can bury and no death destroy.

Brethren, we lay aside the working tools in our proceedings to call to memory the 232 of our brethren who have departed this life, to enter the grand lodge on high. We cherish the memories of those of our brethren whom we mourn today. We pay homage to the tasks well done and their faithfulness to the fraternity. As a memorial to them their names shall be recorded in the proper place and treasured in our hearts.

Our sincere sympathies go out to Sister Grand Jurisdictions who have suffered the loss of brethren near and dear to them.

We are mentioning by name two brethren of Sister Grand Lodges and three of our own brethren who have left our ranks during the past year, who represent in themselves the rest of our brethren. As Masons meet on the Level, act by the plumb and part on the Square, far be it for any of us to make distinguishing marks regarding a Mason, but in specially mentioning these few brethren, have in your minds the names of those whom you have known more intimately and bear their memories proudly in your hearts.

"They are not gone who pass beyond the clasp of hand, out from the strong embrace.

They are but come so close,

We need not grope with hands, nor look to see, nor try to catch the sound of feet.

They have put off their shoes softly to walk by day within our thoughts, to tread at night our dream-led paths of sleep.

They are not lost who find the sunset gate, the goal of all their faithful years.

Nor lost are they who reach the summit of their climb,
To peak above the clouds and storms.

They are not lost who find the light of sun and stars and God."

(Hugh Robert Orr)

His Majesty King Gustav of Sweden, died Oct. 29th, 1950. A much beloved monarch and a keen Freemason.

His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Grand Master of The United Grand Lodge of England, died Dec., 1950. His death was a very serious blow to our English Brethren and was most unexpected.

R W. Bro. Wm. A. Ross. A pioneer of the Pincher Creek District and a member of Spitzie Lodge No. 6. A resident for fifty-two years of Pincher Creek. He had throughout his long residence interested himself in church and community work and will be greatly missed.

V.W. Bro. Alfred H. Jordan. A member of Cemmercial Lodge No. 81 and Past Grand Organist. He was very well known in Edmonton where he had given of his talent for many years.

R.W. Brother Joseph Emmerson. A member of Summit Lodge No. 30 at Coleman. He died as the result of an accident and will be very much missed in the Crow's Nest District.

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them".

Let us Pray:

Vouchsafe, O Lord, that when our journey shall near its end, when the silver cord shall be loosed, and the golden bowl be broken, may the light of Thy love dispell the gloom of the dark valley, and may we be enabled to "work our entrance" into that Celestial Lodge above, and in Thy presence enjoy a union with the souls of our departed friends made perfect in Thy love. Comfort those who mourn the loss of loved ones. Be Thou their strength and stay. May they realize that "the Eternal God is their refuge and strength and underneath are the everlasting Arms". Amen.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

PETER DAWSON, G.C.
Chairman.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Master: I think one of the greatest pleasures of a Grand Communication of Masons is to receive and acknowledge those Grand Representatives of all the Grand Lodges in this world with whom we are in relationship. M.W. Grand Secretary, will you read the Grand Representatives names?

The Grand Representatives Assembled before the Altar.

The Grand Master: "Brethren here assembled in this Communication I want you to witness the Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction who represent at this Grand Lodge those Sister Grand Lodges from the four corners of the world as the names were read out. It is an inspiration to know that this Grand Lodge is in friendly communication with so many Grand Jurisdictions. With your permission I will ask the Most Worshipful Brother John Martland to step before the Altar as a representative of all and bring greetings:

M.W. Bro. John Martland: "M.W. Grand Master, Brethren: You see before you the representatives of the various Grand Lodges as

has been read out to you by the Grand Secretary. I feel sure that each one of them would wish to convey the greetings and good wishes of the Grand Lodge which they represent to you today. During the last few months it was my privilege to attend the United Grand Lodge of England on two different occasions and I was asked then to assure you, M.W. Grand Master of the amity of that Grand body to this Grand body and so seeing you are rather short on time I am suggesting we now present to you our good wishes and salutations from the various Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master: "Thank you. I wish it to be noted that we of the Grand Jurisdiction of Alberta do not take our obligations lightly as witness the attendance here. Very few are absent and I know some are absent because of ill health. Please take from this jurisdiction a prayer that the various jurisdictions of the masons you represent may long be spared for the work of Freemasonry and the defence of the principles of our faith. We appreciate their courtesies to us today through their representation and it is our desire that those same felicitations be extended back to them. Please correspond with the Grand Jurisdictions you represent and give them some of the things that most impressed you in this Grand Communication. Carry on some communication between those Grand Lodges and yourself. Those who represent Grand Lodges whose Grand Masters are here it will be nice to get to know and be close to them. I thank you for the courtesies extended to me.

The Grand Master: Please at this moment enjoy with me the privilege of receiving the representatives of other concordant bodies of the Masonic family.

The various representatives of other Masonic organizations together with their introducers took their place before the Altar.

V.W. Bro. G. W. Skene presents M.W. Bro. Howard B. Macdonald:

V.W. Bro Skene: "M.W. Grand Master, it is my honor and privilege to present the Illustrious Deputy 33° for the Province of Alberta of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. M.W. Bro. Macdonald has in the Scottish Rite given that unselfish service and that enlightenment which he has given in this Grand Lodge and as a citizen, and member of the Legislature, and Mason we are very proud of him in the Scottish Rite."

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey presents Wor. Bro. Harry Minchin.

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey: "M.W. Grand Master: I am sure it is a pleasure and a privilege today to present to you W. Bro. Harry Minchin, Deputy Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. He does not need any introduction in Alberta. The Sovereign Great Priory meets in Hamilton in August and we expect and we are quite sure the Right Eminent Bro. Harry Minchin will be Supreme Grand Master of Canada. Harry has been a Mason since 1908 and most of us have known him since that time. It is a privilege to introduce him."

M.W. Bro. Howard B. Macdonald presents R.W. Bro. H. E. Howard:

M.W. Bro. Macdonald: "M.W. Grand Master: It is a great pleasure to me to present R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard, the Potentate of Al

Azhar Temple. Harry represents the nobility of the Temple and represents the sunshine of the Shrine because every time he speaks he smiles that smile which all enjoy as the sunshine of the Shrine."

W. Bro. Harold Bentley presents M. Ex. Companion Alfred Peart, Grand First Principal of The Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

W. Bro. Harold Bentley: "M.W. Grand Master: It is indeed an honor and a privilege to present to you M. Ex. Companion Alfred Peart, he is well and favorably known to the Craft in general, particularly to the Northern Jurisdiction. He was initiated in the Royal Gloucester Lodge in Gloucester under the Register of the Grand Lodge of England in 1911. I am sure the principles inculcated in him have been exemplified during the progress of years through the various degrees."

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris presents M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey.

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris: "M.W. Grand Master: It affords me the greatest of pleasure to introduce to you one of our oldest members of the Craft in the Province of Alberta. He is known to everyone, more especially the older members. He has been a regular attendee at our Grand Lodge for many years and he is interested in many other branches of Masonry. It gives me the greatest of pleasure to present to you M.W. Bro. Mel Downey, Grand Recorder of the Cryptic Rite Royal Select Masters of Canada."

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey presents M.W. Bro. Sam Harris:

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey: "M.W. Grand Master: "It gives me great pleasure to introduce an old friend of mine and a friend of the fraternity in Most Illustrious Sovereign Grand Master of the Red Cross of Constantine of Canada. I could not tell you all I know about Sam. It would take too long and may be not discreet. I am taking pleasure in introducing him to you as Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine."

The Grand Master: "This concentration represents the Supreme Council Scottish Rite 33rd Degree, the Knights Templars of Canada, The Shrine, The Royal Arch Cryptic Rite and the Red Cross of Constantine. Brethren, this is the way Masonry works in the search for further light. It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you here in this capacity; we shall endeavour to find that great light we would like to find, to which we shall never succeed but for which we shall always strive. Thanks for your kindness and please be seated."

REPORTS of District Deputy Grand Masters

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit to you for your consideration and approval my report as your District Deputy of Masonic District No. 1 for the year 1950-1951.

DISTRICT MEETING

The 32nd. Annual District Meeting of District No. 1 was held in the Masonic Hall, Banff, on Saturday, September 9th, 1950. The W.M. and brethren of Cascade Lodge No. 5 had extended an invitation making their lodge room available for this meeting, and this was much appreciated by the large attendance of the brethren. It was fortunate that this meeting closely followed the Banff Conference because it made possible the presence of a number of very distinguished masons, including a number from other jurisdictions, among whom were:

M.W. Bro. Percy W. Doles, Grand Mastter, Grand Lodge of Montana.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Curran, Grand J. Warden, Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

R. W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

R.W. Bro. G. A. M. Morran, Senior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba. And the following distinguished brethren representing the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. LeRoy W. Bond, Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, Grand Senior Warden.

R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Junior Warden.

R.W. Bro. H. Mallery, D.D.G.M. District No. 18.

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris, Past Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, Past Grand Master.

With Cascade Lodge No. 5 assuming responsibility of the local arrangements for the Banquet and subsequent meeting, the other lodges of the District were active participants in the proceedings. The following papers on Educational topics were presented:

Symbolisms and Lessons, 1st. Degree, Ashlar Lodge No. 28.

Examination of Visitors, Perfection Lodge No. 9.

Symbolisms and Lessons, 2nd. Degree, King Solomon Lodge No. 41.

Committee of Investigation on New Membership, King George Lodge No. 59.

Symbolisms and Lessons, 3rd. Degree, St. Mark's Lodge No. 118.

The use of the Ballot, Bow River Lodge No. 1.

Ideal of a Mason, Lodge Renfrew No. 134.

This last item was an impressive recital of the concluding passages of the General Charge given at the ceremony of Installation of Officers of a Lodge. This proved to be a fitting climax to the presentation of papers that were most outstanding in their masonic instructional value and all were warmly received by the brethren.

Reports concerning the general condition and prospects of each lodge were presented to the meeting by the Masters of the different lodges. The M.W. the Grand Master complimented the lodges on evidence of progress and vitality.

Prior to the Banquet, the M.W. Grand Master spent an hour with the Masters and Wardens of the lodges in the District. An informal discussion on many phases and problems encountered today, took place.

The large and representative gathering numbering some 114 masons listened with great interest to the inspiring message of the M.W. the Grand Master who addressed the brethren on the potentialities of Freemasonry, expressing in particular the responsibilities of investigating committees and stressed the value of Masonic Education by means of addresses, for the newer members.

SPECIAL EVENTS

An outstanding occasion was the Masonic Church Service held jointly by the masons of Districts No. 1 and No. 18, on Sunday evening, January 28th, 1951 at Central United Church, Calgary. There were over 400 masons present, in a church crowded to the doors, with 360 registrations by lodges, being made. Rev. Dr. G. B. Switzer preached, and the M.W. Grand Master, LeRoy W Bond read the scripture lesson. The hearty singing of well known hymns by such a large congregation preponderantly male, was an inspiration not soon forgotten. A floral tribute was reverently placed to the memory of our departed brethren.

It was my privilege and pleasure to attend the 11th. Annual Inter-Provincial meeting held in Banff on June 24th, 1950 at which matters of importance were discussed and inspirational addresses given.

St. Mark's Lodge No. 118 fittingly celebrated their 30th Anniversary on Nov. 26th when they entertained as visitors Great Falls Lodge No. 118 of the Grand Lodge of Montana. The occasion was further marked by the conferring of the M.M. degree by the Past Masters of the lodge. A 50 year jewel was presented by the M.W. the Grand Master to V.W. Bro. T. Gould.

Perfection Lodge No. 9 held a very successful party for the children of members on March 31st an annual event looked forward to by parents and children alike.

In somewhat lighter vein, a fraternal visit to King Solomon Lodge No. 41 made by Officers and members of St. Mark's Lodge No. 118, will long be remembered although there were no serious consequences. It was my lot to share the experience with these brethren on the night of the blizzard of March 15th, 1951. Taking 3½ hours to travel the 20 miles on the return trip, the Calgary brethren were fortunate in ultimately arriving at their homes at an hour closely approximating 3 a.m. One automobile was left stranded in a snow drift and three perfectly good felt hats were left to the tender mercies of the high winds. Some of the Cochrane brethren did not fare so well, and had the unpleasant experience of spending the hours until daylight, in their auto, stalled in deep snow on the roadside. All together, conferring the E.A. degree, the friendly intercourse with the brethren and the return trip to our homes combined to create a memorable experience for those attending the meeting.

STATISTICAL

There has been an increase of 75 in the membership of masons in the District, while it is with deep regret that the passing to the Grand Lodge above of 32 brethren of the district, is reported.

Four lodges of the district own their own buildings (two in the city of Calgary and one each in Banff and Cochrane.) The other four lodges meeting in the Calgary Masonic Temple are part owners of the building. All the property is being maintained in a good state of repair, and adequate insurance is carried.

Considerable use is being made of the Grand Lodge Bulletins, with three lodges subscribing for 100 per cent of their membership, while others mail copies to non-residents. The financial condition of each lodge is very sound.

GENERAL REMARKS

The year has been one of considerable activity on the part of the eight lodges in the district and this, I believe, has resulted in added and sustained interest among the members.

It has been apparent for some years, many of our newer members were seeking information regarding our order, as to it's history, ideals and symbolisms. For this reason, I have stressed in all my visits, the value of Masonic Education.

I have pointed out that in most cases, the desired material was readily available in Lodge libraries either for individual reading or

for assistance in the preparation of short papers, to be presented on suitable occasions. There has been considerable use in the district of papers of an educational character, during the year, and this deserves much commendation.

I have visited each lodge in the District four or more times. Two official visits were made to each lodge, one in the Fall and the second in the Spring. Thus an opportunity was afforded to greet the lodge when operated under the 1950 slate of Officers and again, those of 1951, the official visits being arranged for Regular meetings. Other visits were made on the occasion of meetings called for the conferring of degrees, or some outstanding evening such as Festival Meetings, Past Master's Nights, National Nights, Novice Night etc.

During my year in office I have been impressed more than ever of the vital need of the continued and active interest of the Past Masters of the Lodge. Where this is forthcoming, the Master and other officers can be assured of timely advice and assistance, with mutual benefit to all concerned.

The Lodge Records have been found to be kept in good order, for the most part by very conscientious and experienced secretaries. What a great asset is the good secretary to a lodge! During my visits, it has been pointed out that in some cases a wider scope could be given to the use of the Historical Record. Lodges have been advised that this record should not be a condensation of the various minutes of meetings, but should record incidents of historical and interesting value to the lodge.

In conclusion, I would record the very deep sense that has been mine, of the high honor conferred upon me, and responsibility vested in me, by the masons of District No. 1 during the year of office nearing completion. It has been a deeply appreciated honor and privilege to have served as your Deputy in the District, Most Worshipful Sir. To have been able to visit the various lodges on so many occasions has been a rich masonic experience and the kindly reception accorded to me by the Officers and Members alike will always be remembered.

To have been privileged to accompany you on several of your official visits in this and adjoining masonic districts has been a highly prized experience.

I would here record my very deep appreciation to my District Secretary, V.W. Bro. C. S. B. Lait who performed his duties in a very efficient manner and accompanied me on all my official visits.

Finally, to you Most Worshipful Sir and to the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore I would express my keen appreciation of the many courtesies given and kindly advice received on numerous occasions throughout the year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

LESLIE J. ROSLING,
D.D.G.M. District No. 1, G.R.A.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

In submitting my report as your District Deputy for Masonic District No. 2, for the year 1950-51, for your approval and consideration, it has given me an insight into the Fraternal Spirit which exists throughout the District, and I hope throughout the Province.

On occasion when I have had to contact the District Deputies, I received very prompt replies, which made the job that much lighter, and for which I thank them

OFFICIAL VISITS

An invitation having been received from Grassy Lake Lodge No. 57, to install their Officers on June the 26th, was my first Official Duty. A very pleasant time was had by those present. Was accompanied by Five Past District Deputies also a number of visitors. In accordance with instructions received, I examined the books etc. of the Lodge and found everything in order.

Quarry Lodge No. 70. -I decided to pay my own Lodge, the First Official Visit, on September the 5th. The Master Mason Degree was exemplified on two candidates in a very creditable manner, one of the candidates being raised by his own father.

Another feature of the evening was the musical portion, which had been recorded, and helped greatly to impress the candidates. Books etc. are all in good shape, including the Historical Register. Bulletins are sent to all brethren, and question periods take up the time of Lodge, when no degree work.

Remarks to the Brethren were in a general way, but impressed the Candidates with attending Lodge, both at home and abroad.

Bassano Lodge No. 55.—September the 14th. This was a Red Letter Day for Bassano Lodge No. 55 an Emergent Communication was held in the afternoon for the purpose of examination in the Fellowcraft Degree, and to make final arrangements for the evening Session. This took the form of Railroaders Night those taking part being all Railway Men of this Division. The Master Mason Degree was conferred on two candidates by this team. After being received and introduced to the Lodge, by R. Wor. Bro. McGhee, and accorded Grand Lodge Honors, I had the pleasure of receiving the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. LeRoy Bond, and the Grand Secretary M. Wor. Bro. George Moore. These two distinguished Brethren, were introduced by R. Wor. Bro. Donaldson. My address to the Lodge "The Ideal Freemason" Books etc up to date, with exception of Historical Register, and requested the Master to have some brought up to date Also welcomed at this communication, was R. Wor. Bro. F. D. Knowlton of District No. 16 of Standard, Alberta, who acted as Chairman at the Banquet which followed the meeting. The Committee in charge are to be congratulated in the manner in which arrangements were made to handle the capacity crowd which attended. Arrived home at five a.m.

Brooks Lodge No. 73.—September the 19th. Received a very warm welcome on this Official Visit. The Fraternal Spirit is very evident. Lodge rooms very comfortable. The E.A. Degree was conferred on a candidate by the Officers of the Lodge. Business transacted with dispatch. The minutes show they are making use of the material sent out by Grand Lodge out of the Programme as submitted at the Ninth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference. Books are all in good shape, with exception of Historical Register. My remarks were addressed, more in particular to the new Candidates. The Fourth Degree after the meeting, took the form of a corn feed, for which this District is justly famed.

Manyberries Lodge No. 133.—September the 21st. Accompanied by R. Wor. Bro. R. C. Hargrave and R. Wor. Bro. H. Hargrave the visit to this Lodge showed that the interest was being maintained. Wor. Bro. Underdahl being the acting Secretary. Annual report shows that the average attendance is 80 per cent. Finances in good shape. Books in fair shape. Historical Register Poor. Had to rule on a question of Ballotting and Committee's report, but same has been settled with approval of the Grand Master & Grand Secretary.

Grassy Lake Lodge No. 57.—October the 12th. Had a very cordial reception by the brethren of this Lodge. Lodge Rooms are very good, and interest being maintained by a very active Secretary. Wor. Bro. M. Hancock. The M.M. Degree was exemplified. The Officers of the Lodge taking the first Section, and the Officers of my own Lodge No. 70, assisted by brethren for the Fellowcraft Team, the second section. The Master's of both being very capable. Wor. Bro. Brooks and Wor. Bro. Congram. Present 59 brethren, of whom 33 were visitors. Books are in good shape. Have promised to have the Historical Register up to date. Addressed my remarks mainly to the candidates.

Bow Island Lodge No. 64.—October 18th. Had a very nice meeting, although no degree work. Introduced to the Lodge by V. Wor. Bro. A. Stevens who has been Secretary for a number of years, and who has kept the records in good shape. Lodge Rooms are good, and a lot of time has been spent by the Brethren in making this so, by volunteer work.

Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2.—November the 14th. On the occasion of my visit to this Lodge the F.C. Degree was conferred on a class of five. As to be expected, the work of this Lodge is always on a high plane, and the Officers under the guidance of their Secretary, R. Wor. Bro. W. H. Williams put the work on flawlessly. Addressed the Lodge on a Masonic Topic, which was well received.

Mizpah Lodge No. 35.—November the 21st. Had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge when the M.M. Degree was exemplified on a class of three. As I am not familiar with the work of the Canadian Work, in which this Lodge practices, could not tell of any errors in same. but the way in which the degree was put on by the Officers, deserves all praise. Books etc. are well kept, and Wor. Bro. J. Henderson is a very diligent Secretary. Addressed the brethren on a Third Degree subject.

This was held on November the 8th, 1950. An informal discussion of Master's Wardens, Secretary's, and other interested brethren was first held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel, to discuss any matters appertaining to Craft Masonry in General. The Grand Master and his accompanying Officers were in attendance. The Evening Session opened with a Banquet at 6 p.m. under the Chairmanship of Wor. Bro. E. Schmidt, P.M. of Mizpah Lodge No. 35. As per request, only two toasts were given. "The King and the Craft," and "The Most Worshipful The Grand Master and Officers." At 7:30 p.m. District Meeting was formally opened by the Officers of Quarry Lodge No. 70 who received me, and were given the honors. I again had the pleasure of receiving the Grand Master Most Worshipful Bro. LeRoy Bond and Most Wor. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, also on this occasion R Wor. Bro. W. H. Jackson J. G. Warden. After the usual order of business, etc., and while waiting on the report of Committees on Credentials, I gave an address on "Vision in Masonry" which was very well received. Election of District Deputy for 1951-52 resulted in Wor. Bro. C. T. Schon Past Master of Brooks Lodge No. 73, being elected. A question on educational topics by brethren of Medicine Hat Lodge's proved to be very good.

The addresses by the Grand Master, at both this session and the Banquet were very inspiring also remarks by the Grand Secretary, and J. G. Warden.

INSTALLATION

St. John's Night, December the 27th. I had the pleasure of Installing the Officers of Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, Mizpah Lodge No. 35. and my own Lodge Quarry No. 70. A large turnout for both the Installation and banquet which followed at which time I had the honor of replying to the Toast to the Grand Master. I took for my subject in reply "Brethren behold your Master's -- Master's, behold your brethren."

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Brethren of District No. 2 for the high honor they conferred on me, when they elected me as their Deputy, and trust that the confidence reposed in me has not been misplaced. I would like to thank all those who accompanied me on my Official Duties, and a thank you to those of my own members of Quarry, who volunteered cars. Also to Wor. Bro. W. A. Noble who acted as District Secretary.

And finally to yourself Most Worshipful Sir, for the privilege and honor of having served you as D.D.G.M. of District No. 2 and also to the Grand Secretary, M. Wor. Bro. George Moore for his words of council.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

JOHN R. W. CANN,
D.D.G.M. District No. 2 G.R.A.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have pleasure in submitting my report as D.D.G.M. for Masonic District No. 3 for the year 1950-51 for your approval.

DISTRICT MEETING

The annual district meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Edmonton, on Tues., Oct. 17th, 1950

The brethren met in the library in the afternoon at 5 p.m. where a discussion period and a series of questions and answers took place and I can assure you that this period found great favour with all the brethren.

After dinner all members met in the lodge room where the officers of Star of the West Lodge No. 34, Leduc took charge with Wor. Bro. H. Chittick as Wor. Master and the meeting was opened in the customary manner.

The Grand Master accompanied by Most Wor. Bro. Geo. Moore were received with grand honors.

There was a splendid turn out of members, every lodge in the district being represented.

R. Wor. Bro. J. Booth, immediate past D.D.G.M. gave a report of his years work and commented on the splendid Masonic spirit throughout the district. R. Wor. Bro. Booth was presented by Most Wor. Bro. Bond with the regalia of a past D.D.G.M. After a few remarks the Grand Master called on R. Wor. Bro. F. Whitfield and Most Wor. Bro. R. J. Bradley to assist him, R. Wor. Bro. W. Empey presented the collar. The regalia was originally presented to Most Wor. Bro. Bradley when he was D.D.G.M. and later given back to the district and presented to R. Wor. Bro. Empey when he was D.D.G.M. and again returned to the district for presentation to R. Wor. Bro. Booth, all three being Past Masters of Unity Lodge No. 51. Rt. Wor. Bro. Fred Whitfield bought the regalia for M. Wor. Bro. Bradley in 1937.

The election of D.D.G.M. for the coming year resulted in only one nomination being received, that of Wor. Bro. J. S. Parker of Edmonton Lodge No. 7 and Wor. Bro. Parker was declared elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

After some discussion it was carried by resolution that the next district meeting be held in Edmonton and at the same time of year. A suggestion was also made that a longer period be given to the open forum in the afternoon, as it was thought that this was a most valuable and instructive period to the brethren.

The chief business of the evening was a series of papers of educational and instructive subjects given by a representative of each

lodge in the Masonic district. The following is a list of the papers given:

- Beginning of Freemasonry, Edmonton Lodge No. 7.
- Investigation of a Petitioner, Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 15.
- Lodge Attendance, Star of the West Lodge No. 34.
- Absent Brethren, Unity Lodge No. 51.
- The Mysteries of the Order, Edson Lodge No. 68.
- Freemasonry as an Investment, Commercial Lodge No. 81.
- The Lodge's Responsibility versus The Members Responsibility, Meridian Lodge No. 129.
- Responsibility of Sponsorship, Jasper Park Lodge No. 143.

These papers were very well presented and from the discussions that took place it was evident that they had aroused keen interest. The splendid criticisms and the wealth of information given by Most Wor. Bro. Geo. Moore at this time was most valuable. This period proved to be real Masonic Education.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I was unfortunate enough to have to spend some time in hospital and was under the weather for some months. This delayed my activities but I have paid my official visit to all lodges and most of them twice and several oftener. I have seen degree work put on by all lodges and I can state that the work in this district is being well done.

The records and books of all lodges are kept in good order and all lodges are in good financial state.

Historical registers are all up to date with the exception of Star of the West No. 34, my own lodge. This is owing to the fact that the development and expansion in this district on account of the oil industry has made the job of the historical register one of considerable magnitude. It is difficult to keep up with events but I can assure you that mass of material has been gathered and is in process of being sorted out and will be written up.

In my talks to the brethren there were two subjects I touched on at all lodges, Masonic Benevolence and Masonic Education. I found that all lodges have given a good deal of thought to the question of Masonic Benevolence. In fact in three of the lodges, on my visits cases of benevolence were discussed and were dealt with in the true Masonic spirit. The report given by M. Wor. Bro. Blackstock at the last communication of Grand Lodge has been studied by most lodges and if at any future time any large benevolent project is contemplated, I feel sure that this will help to give a well considered judgment.

There is considerable effort, I found, being made with regard to Masonic Education and some of the lodges are meeting with a good deal of success, especially with the younger masons and this is as it should be

CONCLUSION

At some of the lodges I spoke of quite a number of incidents which have occurred to me during my Masonic life of some 44 years to illustrate what Masonry really can be and I can assure you Most Wor. Sir, now that my year of office nears its close that it has been a happy year and that Masonry means more to me than ever.

On behalf of the brethren who attended our district meeting I convey to you their thanks and sincere appreciation for your splendid address on that occasion. Also to Most Wor. Bro. Geo. Moore for his great help during our discussions.

To R.W. Bro. Fred Whitfield, our district secretary it is impossible to pay too much tribute for his untiring work over the years. He has been a pillar of strength to many D.D.G.M's.

To my predecessor in office R. Wor. Bro. Jack Booth I am grateful for his help and advice, which he so freely gives.

I wish my successor in office, Wor. Bro. J. S. Parker a continuance of the support which has been given me and trust he will have a splendid year.

Most Wor. Sir, I deeply appreciate the honor of having served you as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 3 and humbly submit this report for your consideration.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

JOHN FERGUSON.

D.D.G.M. District No. 3.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 4.

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

It is a pleasure indeed to present herewith for your consideration a report on the condition of Freemasonry in District No. 4 for the year 1950-1951.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Official visits were all completed before the end of 1950 and were as follows:

Mountain View Lodge No. 16, Olds, Sept. 11th.
Bowden Lodge No. 42, Bowden, Sept. 12th.
Eureka Lodge No. 10, Lacombe, Sept. 14th.
Innisfail Lodge No. 8, Innisfail, Sept 21st.
Kitchener Lodge No. 95, Rimbey, Oct. 3rd.
Britannia Lodge No. 18, Ponoka, Oct. 4th.
King Hiram Lodge No. 21, Didsbury, Oct. 10th.
Carstairs Lodge No. 20, Carstairs, Oct. 12th.
Kenilworth Lodge No. 29, Red Deer, Nov. 7th.

Lochearn No. 151, Rocky Mountain House, Nov. 9th.
Red Deer Lodge No. 12, Red Deer, Nov. 12th.

Most of these lodges have been visited a second time during my year in office — some more frequently than that.

GENERAL

To say that all lodges in District No. 4 are perfect would probably be far from the truth; to say, however, that the spirit of Freemasonry exists strongly and is the firm foundation of all of them would not be incorrect.

Some of the lodges in District No. 4 might spend a trifle more time in preparing certain phases of the degree work or have stand-ins for the work in case of a last minute absence. This applies more particularly to the lodges of small membership. To candidates the effective presentation of the degrees is very important — first impressions can be so lasting.

It would be my opinion also that more time could be spent in some lodges or at least by the coaches in preparing the candidates for their examinations of the work of the various degrees. No brother should be allowed to take the next degree until he is thoroughly proficient.

Punctuality is not a virtue in all the district but it should not, I think, be allowed to get out of hand. If 8 p.m. is the hour for opening the lodge let it be very close to 8 p.m. when the lodge is close tiled.

In some lodges the average attendance of resident members for 1950 was down somewhat from 1949. This may be due to a large number of reasons including weather, punctuality in opening lodge, competition with other organizations calling on the time of our members, or lack of some definite plan or course of action for the year. This latter is particularly the job of the incoming Master and his officers to make their year one of great interest to the Craft in their lodge.

Records of the Lodges are, in most instances, well kept; minutes are interesting and informative; finances are in excellent shape; insurance on property is being kept up with rising costs; dues seem adequate; a few of the lodges are behind in the entering of the Historical Register but I was assured that this matter would be taken care of at early dates in each instance.

All Lodges in the District secure Grand Lodge Bulletins sufficient to cover their membership. Some lodges make use of the Bulletin at each meeting to draw attention to at least one important item in this popular little paper.

During my short talks at each lodge I attempted to put before the brethren a number of items for meeting improvements as well as a general topic of present day interest as it affects or might affect Freemasonry.

It was my privilege and pleasure to attend the Annual Meeting of District No. 15 at Trochu on November 2nd, 1950.

It was also my privilege to attend the installing and investing of the Masters and officers of four of the lodges in my own District. This work was done well in an inspiring manner.

DISTRICT MEETING

Possibly the highlights of my year as your District Deputy would be the District Meeting held Wednesday Nov. 1st at Olds. The splendid new building enjoyed by Mountain View Lodge No. 16 at this point was a fitting setting for the large turnout to this annual event.

Coming a little later in the year than usual in District No. 4, I was able to complete most of my official visits to the lodges under my jurisdiction prior to the meeting and impress upon the brethren the importance and value of goodly representations from all lodges.

We were honored, Sir, with your presence along with M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Junior Grand Warden, and a distinguished group of other Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers.

The meeting was opened at 3:30 p.m. giving us the opportunity to complete some of the necessary business during the afternoon session. Reports from the various lodges were interesting and contained much useful information indicating a considerable amount of thought being given to the reports by the Masters of the lodges.

At 6:30 p.m. the Banquet Room was filled to over-flowing. Following the toast-list we were privileged to hear a very timely address by M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald.

The evening session was, I think, of interest to all who attended. Other rather unique event in the annals of Alberta Freemasonry took place at this evening gathering. That was the presentation by M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond of 50-year jewels to two brother Masons from the same lodge — M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, P.G.M., and Bro. D. G. Horn, both charter members of Kenilworth No. 29, Red Deer.

Wor. Bro. Tom Morris, King Hiram No. 21, presented an excellent paper on "Masonry and the Service Clubs". The discussion period which followed was definitely profitable and many of the brethren took part in the discussion.

R.W. Bro. J. N. Stewart, Immediate Past D.D.G.M. gave a brief favorable report on his year's activities in District No. 4. It was then my pleasure to call on M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald to present Bro. Stewart with his Past D.D.G.M. Regalia and to thank him for a year of accomplishment.

Subject to confirmation by the M.W. the Grand Master, W. Bro. J. D. Thomas of King Hiram No. 21 was elected to be D.D.G.M. for the year 1951-1952. May I congratulate him and wish him a suc-

cessful year in office. Red Deer No. 12 is to be host to the District Meeting in 1951.

We were privileged to have some few brief remarks from a number of the Grand Lodge Officers present as well as your own inspiring address prior to the closing of the meeting — a meeting which I am sure might be considered not only profitable but thoroughly enjoyable.

I would be very remiss if I failed to mention the interest shown and the helpful assistance given to me by R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, J.G.W. In addition to his many duties as a Grand Warden, Bro. Jackson has wisely counselled and helped me throughout the entire year and his services as District Secretary leave nothing to be desired.

To all those who accompanied me on my visits and have helped make this year one to be long remembered, my heartfelt thanks.

To you, Sir, it has been an honor and a high privilege to serve as your D.D.G.M. in District No. 4. I can only hope that in some small way my efforts may have accomplished something towards the progress of Masonry in this district.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

R. F. ANDERSON.

D.D.G.M. District No. 4.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 5

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure at this time to submit for your consideration and approval, my report as D.D.G.M. for District No. 5 and to try and convey to you a picture of Masonry in this district as I have found it during my term of office.

The District Meeting was held in Alliance on Friday, Nov. 3rd after having to postpone it from Tuesday, Oct. 24th due to the fact that the G.M. found that he would be unable to be present at that time. M.W. Bro. Bond the Grand Master was present accompanied by M.W. Bro. Moore the Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. Jackson the Junior Grand Warden. At this time I would like to express my appreciation to the Lodges of District No. 5 for the wonderful turn out we had at this meeting, especially at the afternoon session.

The afternoon session held in the Lodge Room was taken up with registration after which an open forum was held with over seventy members present from the district. The Grand Lodge Officers were asked a number of questions which were very ably answered by them. At 5:45 all present retired to the Elks Hall where a lovely Banquet, catered to by the United Church Ladies Aid, was enjoyed by all. During the Banquet W. Bro. Wholey proposed the toast to Grand Lodge which was responded to by M.W. Bro. Moore

and R.W. Bro. Jackson. W. Bro. R. Gibson then thanked the Ladies Aid for the wonderful Banquet they had prepared.

At 8:00 p.m. the District Meeting was assembled in the United Church by W. Bro. L. B. McPherson and the officers of Alliance Lodge No. 135. After the Master of each Lodge present had vouched for their members the D.D.G.M. was introduced by W. Bro. Wholey and was received with Grand Honors, and conducted to the East. M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. G. Moore, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Jackson, Grand Junior Warden, were then introduced by R.W. Bro. H. Farvolden and were received with Grand Honors and conducted to the East.

The minutes of the last District Meeting held at Loughheed were then read and adopted.

R.W. Bro. C. Gillies then gave his report on the condition of the Lodges in District No. 5 for the past year.

The report of the Lodges in District No. 5 were read by the Wor. Masters and adopted.

The Finance and Credentials committees then gave their reports which were adopted.

At the nomination for D.D.G.M. for 1951-52, Wor. Bro. Holtsbaum, V. Wor. Bro. Blakeney, and Wor. Bro. Butcher were nominated. Wor. Bro. Butcher requested that his name be withdrawn and in the ensuing election V. Wor. Bro. Blakeney of Harmony Lodge No. 75, Sedgewick was declared elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master. V. Wor. Bro. Blakeney thanked the brethren and invited them to hold the next District Meeting in Sedgewick.

Your very inspiring address given at this time M.W. Sir was enjoyed by all, as I have gathered in my travels throughout the District and has given many of us food for thought.

During my term of office I paid Official visits to each Lodge in District No. 5 on the following dates:

Efficiency Lodge No. 141, September 4th, 1950
Tuscan Lodge No. 43, September 6th, 1950.
Harmony Lodge No. 75 September 11th, 1950.
Camrose Lodge No. 37, September 14th, 1950.
Provost Lodge No. 61, September 20th, 1950.
Forestburg Lodge No. 128, September 27th, 1950.
Comet Lodge No. 50, October 12th, 1950.
Melrose Lodge No. 62, October 19th, 1950.
Alliance Lodge No. 135, November 1st, 1950.
Excelsior Lodge No. 80, November 2nd, 1950.
Morning Star Lodge No. 79, November 16th, 1950.

I hope to be able to pay a second visit to all Lodges in the District but up to the time of submitting this report I have been unable to do so due to poor road conditions. However I still have it in

mind and am looking forward to being able to do this before my term of office expires.

Although I was unable to have the pleasure of seeing any Degree work put on at any of my visitations I would judge from the very efficient manner in which the officers conducted the business of the lodge that they were just as capable in this regard. I did find however that in many cases the Historical Register was not kept up to date although they were not back very far and one or two of the Lodges were rather doubtful as to what information should be put into these registers. The books in all cases were being kept in excellent condition and I would like to congratulate all the Secretaries of this district on the fine job they are doing. Grand Lodge Bulletins are being received in all Lodges and I think that the Brethren find much useful information contained therein. I found that all Lodges were in a sound financial condition, with a fair surplus of cash on hand in the bank. Most of the Lodges rent their premises with three owning their buildings. The attendance was found to be very good through out the year with some brethren having to come many miles to attend Lodge. All lodges appear to be quite busy with Degree work and also with methods of instruction for new members.

In conclusion M.W. Sir I would like to say that I consider it a very high honor to have served as your D.D.G.M. in District No. 5 and consider it one of the highlights of my life. I have enjoyed the work during my term of office and hope that I have been able to bring to the Brethren of this Masonic District some small measure of enlightenment. Also to the Brethren, I would like to express my appreciation for the high honor you have conferred upon me during the past year. To my District Secretary, W. Bro. D. L. McPherson, I say thank you for the very efficient manner in which you have assisted me during my term of office.

To my successor V. Wor. Bro. C. E. Blakeney I extend congratulations and wish him every success during his term of office.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

P. R. ELLIOTT,
D.D.G.M. District No. 5.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 6

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I beg to submit the report of District No. 6 for the Masonic year of 1950-51 for your consideration and approval.

The District Meeting was held at Stavely on Monday the 20th of November A.D. 1950. A Banquet was held at 5:30 p.m. after which a short program followed. This being your last District Meeting, I thought it fitting that a program would be in order.

Lodge was opened by Stavelly Lodge No. 33 with W.M. Bro. Watson in the East. I, as your deputy, had been received with the honors. I then had the pleasure and honor of receiving you, Most Worshipful Sir, as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, also other Grand Lodge Officers in the persons of our Grand Sec. Bro. Moore P.G.M., Bro. Asplund D.D.G.M. of District No. 11 and Bro. Hatch P.D.D.G.M. of District No. 7 of Cardston. A large crowd was in attendance.

The report of the last D.D.G.M. Bro. Forckel was given in a very proficient manner.

At the election for D.D.G.M., Wor. Bro. G. L. Morrison of Cairo Lodge No. 32 was elected by acclamation for District No. 6, subject to approval of Grand Master. Claresholm was chosen as next District Meeting place.

I would like to remind you of the splendid address given by Bro. C. Graham Anderson of Calgary, on Manchuria, Keystone of Asia, which was enjoyed by all and also M. Wor. Sir, your splendid address which was an inspiration to everyone.

I felt quite pleased to have all the Wor. Masters present of the District and their reports were pleasing to listen to.

Corinthian No. 22—My Official visit was made on the 3rd of Oct. 1950, at which time we received a very hearty welcome, and had an instructive and enjoyable evening. It was my privilege to see the first degree conferred which was very well put on by the officers. All records and lodge business are well kept by a very active and capable Secretary. A large percentage of members are from Turner Valley. High River and Stavelly Lodges were invited for the night.

Nanton No. 17—I visited Nanton Lodge on the 19th of Oct., 1950 and saw four candidates receive their first degree in a very impressive manner. The Lodge was held in a rented building and they were handicapped, but have since moved to their new hall, which is a credit to any Masonic Lodge. This lodge is very active and has a good membership, also Lodge books are kept in good shape. I am sorry that I could not attend this lodge on the night you were visiting when they were to conduct a degree as of fifty years ago.

Cornerstone No. 19 My visit to this Lodge occurred on the 15th of March, 1951, which was a very stormy night. Regardless of the wind blowing in a window, tin rattling etc., the W. Master never faltered in conferring the 2nd Degree on three candidates. I can assure you the work was done under most unfavorable conditions. This lodge is also active and is very proficient in their work, especially the officers. The lodge brethren found us a hotel room as everybody had to stay in town that night. Some of the Brethren stayed in the Lodge room. This lodge has a very good future.

Cairo No. 32—We visited Cairo on the 20th of March, 1951. This Lodge owns its own hall and is to be complimented, it is very active,

the officers are very capable in fulfilling their duties. A first degree was put on and the evening enjoyed by everyone. Lodge books are in good order, and they have good attendance.

Stavely No. 33—I visited this Lodge on April 3rd. This lodge is my home lodge but I must congratulate them on the very excellent manner in which they presented the second degree. Stavely Lodge has come ahead in the last few years as new members are in the Chairs. Lodge books are in good shape.

Joppa No. 40—April 12 was my official visit. I always feel good to be in Joppa Lodge as this lodge, while not large, makes up for its size in friendliness and a true Masonic spirit prevails there. While no degree work was undertaken that night, a number of visiting Brethren were in attendance. This lodge has put on good degree work during the past year. Lodge books are in good shape.

Masonically speaking District No. 6 is in a healthy condition both financially and otherwise. Dues are being paid in a satisfactory manner. Attendance on the whole, is reasonably good and at every Lodge where I visited a large number of visitors as a rule were in attendance. Two visits had to be postponed as weather conditions were at their worst.

I would like to thank everyone who assisted me in any way, helping to make my year complete, as this has been one of the best years of my life, meeting the Brethren as Masons and visiting from New York State to my home lodge.

In conclusion I feel I have not been able to give you, Most Worshipful Sir, all the service you may have wished. Nevertheless what service I have given has been in the interest and welfare of Masonry.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

HAROLD A. GATES.

D. D. G. M. District No. 6

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 7

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

As your representative in this District, I submit my report for your consideration.

My official visits commenced in September and were concluded on November 2nd, two weeks prior to the District Meeting.

I wish to report that all Lodges appear to be in good financial condition, with a fairly steady stream of applicants. The work generally speaking, both business and degrees, is carried on in a satisfactory manner. Some Lodges, however, are careless regarding details, but in most cases I believe that is being corrected.

Several Lodges have very efficient Secretaries, while others have men most willing to do the work properly but have lacked the proper

instruction, and are not fully conversant with the duties of their important office. I am suggesting to my successor that a meeting of all secretaries be called and that a fully capable brother be present to discuss and assist with their problems. It is my opinion that a meeting of this type will greatly assist the work of the Grand Secretary and be of immense value to all concerned.

Some of the Lodges are most active and deserve very hearty congratulations for their efforts. All Lodges appear to have a splendid feeling of fellowship, and there is a growth in fraternal visits, within the District and adjoining districts even into other jurisdictions.

The co-operation shown me by the many Past District Deputies and brethren who accompanied me, and the courtesy shown to me as your representative, will never be forgotten by myself.

As you are aware, our District Meeting was held in Milk River on November 16th at the invitation of Century Lodge No. 100. I felt that this meeting was a tribute by the brethren of our District to our great fraternity. Their attendance, nearly 250 strong, was and is an indication to me of the condition of Masonry in our District. To our Grand Master, we say a sincere "thank you" — you endeared yourself to the brethren by your sincerity and your address which reached the brethren as man to man. To our Grand Secretary also our grateful thanks for his instructive information — we were all sorry he wasn't feeling well. To the many other distinguished guests, including M.W. Bro. Middleton, R.W. Bro. Jackson and R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson, and several brethren from the State of Montana, who helped to make this meeting such a huge success, we say "come again" We can and will make these meetings bigger and better.

The members of Century Lodge and their ladies of the Eastern Star are to be congratulated on a splendid job on the banquet.

The business session of the meeting saw many problems of the brethren answered and Wor. Bro. G. Berry from Century Lodge elected as D.D.G.M. elect. Lethbridge was selected as the place of meeting for our next District meeting.

Since our District meeting I have visited informally at several of our Lodges, and it is my intention, if at all possible to visit each Lodge in the District once again informally.

To the Brethren of District No. 7 who were so kind to me in electing me to the high office, I express my thanks and gratitude. To you, M.W. Grand Master, it has been a great honor to have acted as your representative, and personally I wish to thank you for your splendid co-operation, and compliment you on the work you have done for our fraternity. We have all taken for granted for so many years the outstanding work of our Grand Secretary, but the brethren of this District look upon him as their friend and advisor.

I can only say that as long as the splendid spirit existing at present in our District remains, the future of our fraternity is secure, but I must add one word of caution which has been repeated again

and again -- "we must be alert and more careful -- make sure we make Masons and not more members."

If I have contributed in any small way to this Masonic District and the craft in general, I will be eternally grateful, because the brethren of this District gave me the opportunity to know them better, enabling me to cultivate friendships which will never be forgotten.

My District Secretary, W. Bro. J. Melling from Diamond City Lodge was more than generous with his time. His help was cheerfully given and most gratefully accepted. There were, of course, many others too numerous to mention, who were ready and willing to advise and assist -- it is gratefully acknowledged.

To my successor and to our new Grand Master and his Officers I know that they will have the good wishes and the whole hearted support of all of the brethren in this great district.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

P. C. ENGLE,
D.D.G.M. District No. 7.

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Masonic District No. 8 for the year 1950-51.

In the course of my official visits, I have found conditions in the various Lodges in general quite satisfactory, four of the six Lodges showing a healthy increase in membership, and I feel very safe in saying that the calibre of the newly admitted Brethren has been uniformly good, evidence that the portals are being well guarded. Financial conditions are sound in all the Lodges, and the books and records well kept up.

During the latter part of my term of office the District suffered the loss of two distinguished Brethren, R.W. Bro. W. A. Ross of Spitzie Lodge No. 6 and R.W. Bro. Joseph Emmerson of my own Lodge, Summit No. 30. Both these Brethren had been for many years outstanding and faithful supporters of their respective Lodges, and their loss will be keenly felt in the years to come. R.W. Bro. Ross at the time of his death was Director of Ceremonies of Spitzie Lodge, while R.W. Bro. Emmerson besides filling the office of Treasurer of Summit Lodge, which office he had held for about twenty-four years, was also acting as District Secretary.

The Annual meeting of District No. 8 was held at Coleman on Nov. 15th, at which we were honored by your presence, together with that of M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, J. G. W. The meeting was well attended, a number of visitors from outside the District being present, and a good representation from all the District Lodges. It was felt that attendance

was helped by the lateness of the date being more suitable for a large number of the Brethren, particularly those from the prairie Lodges than the earlier dates on which the meetings have been held in recent years.

The meeting was opened by the officers of Summit Lodge, followed by the reception of the D.D.G.M. and the Grand Master and his suite. The minutes of the previous District Meeting were read, and favorable reports presented by the W.Ms. of the District Lodges or their representatives.

The Brethren were then privileged to hear a very interesting paper read by R.W. Bro. Chappell of Rocky Mountain Lodge No. 86, which was followed by an impromptu address by M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, Grand Secretary, which introduced some very interesting discussion.

The election of D.D.G.M. for 1951-52 resulted in the election of W. Bro. Chas. S. Reach of Alberta Lodge No. 3, a very well-earned advancement, and the selection of Macleod as the next place of meeting

R.W. Bro. Ernest Fisher, I.P.D.D.G.M. was unfortunately unable to be present at the meeting, and his presentation and investiture of his regalia had to be postponed to a later date.

The address of the M.W. the Grand Master brought the business of the meeting to a close, and proved a most inspiring one to all, and I feel that it has had and will have a lasting effect on the enthusiasm for the Craft of all its hearers.

Altogether it was felt that the meeting was one of the most successful held in recent years.

Following the close of the meeting, the Brethren adjourned to the banquet hall, where an excellent repast was provided by the ladies of Minerva Chapter No. 41 O.E.S.

During my term of office. I had the pleasure of visiting each of the Lodges once officially, and also made a number of unofficial visits to some, and I'm pleased to say that the Work is well carried out by capable officers.

I visited Spitzie Lodge on Dec. 5th, and had the pleasure of witnessing the raising of Bro. James Gunn, son of R.W. Bro. Harry Gunn, one of the oldest members and P.D.D.G.Ms. in the District. The W.M. Bro. J. R. Thompson having been transferred from the jurisdiction in the course of his employment, the I.P.M., W. Bro. A. B. McMurdo presided, and the degree was excellently conferred. It was regretted that the Secretary was not present at this meeting, but I am satisfied that the books and records are in good hands.

Alberta Lodge No. 3 was visited on Dec. 20th; there was no degree work at this meeting, and I gave a short address on "Practical Freemasonry" which was well received by the Brethren present. The

books and records of this Lodge are also in excellent condition, and the Lodge is to be warmly congratulated on their splendid hall, recently completed.

Chinook Lodge was visited on Feb. 19th, and also unofficially on April 16th. This Lodge suffers from a very small membership and a dearth of suitable material for new members within its jurisdiction, so that the majority of members available for office have already passed through the chairs. No degree work was in progress, but I found the opening and closing and the business of the Lodge capably handled, and the books in good shape and up to date. The financial condition of the Lodge is sound, though not affluent, but I judge that there may be future difficulty in financing the Lodge without an increase in membership.

(I regret to report that there has been some dissension in this Lodge in recent months, which I endeavoured to mediate without much success, with the result that one of the older members has ceased attending Lodge. This appears to have derived originally from considerable laxity in observing the Constitution, and I ensured the W.M. and officers for some of the irregularities which had occurred. It was very evident that many of the members were not familiar with either the Constitution or their own by-laws, and I instructed that the latter be brought-up to date and a copy obtained for each member.)

I visited my own Lodge, Summit No. 30 on April 6th officially, and being Secretary, have also attended all other meetings except one. On the occasion of my official visit, two F.C. degrees were very efficiently conferred. We are fortunate in having a large number of keen young members, so that the Lodge is assured of plenty of good officer material for years to come. The financial situation is good, though the amount of dues in arrears is much too high, and an effort will be made to clear this up in the present year. The present officers are handling the business and degree work well, and the Lodge is in a very healthy condition. On my official visit, a short address on "The duty of the Lodge to the Candidate", stressing the importance of further Masonic Education after completion of the three degrees was presented.

After two unsuccessful attempts, one due to blocked roads and once to sickness, I finally succeeded in visiting Rocky Mountain Lodge No. 86 on April 10th. No degree work was on the program, but at the next meeting, which I visited unofficially, I had the pleasure of seeing the E.A. degree very impressively conferred on three candidates.

W. Bro. Geo. Brown and his officers have the affairs of the Lodge in excellent shape, and attendance is very good. The books and records, in the capable hands of Bro. M. G. Smith are up to date and particularly well kept. A short address was also given at this meeting.

I visited Sentinel Lodge No. 26 on April 12th. The F.C. degree was conferred on two candidates, and the work very well done. The

books and records, as for the last number of years, are excellently looked after by R.W. Bro. F. Padgett. It is a pleasure to learn that Sentinel Lodge has made arrangements to purchase the fine hall which they have occupied for many years.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the Brethren of District No. 8 for the honor and privilege of representing them as D.D.G.M., to the officers and members of the Lodges who extended such a warm welcome on my official visits and to the faithful members who accompanied me and in most cases furnished transportation. I feel that for various reasons I have not been able to accomplish all that I had hoped for in the past year, but trust that my efforts may not have been entirely in vain. I have no doubt that the office which I am about to relinquish passes into more capable hands, or that my worthy successor, W. Bro. C. S. Reach, will be accorded the same loyal support which I have received.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

MAURICE W. COOKE,
D.D.G.M., District No.8.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 9

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District No. 9.

The regular meeting of District No. 9 was held in the Masonic Hall at Stettler, Wednesday, October 25th, 1950. Lodge was opened at 5:45 p.m. by Wor. Bro. T. M. Robinson, Worshipful Master of Apollo Lodge No. 27. The District Deputy Grand Master was introduced and welcomed by the brethren of the district present, after which the meeting was officially opened to conduct such business as comes before such annual meetings.

At 6:15 p.m. the meeting went from labour to refreshment for a period of one and one half hours to attend a banquet held in the basement of the Hall. The Toast list was limited to "The King and the Craft", and "Grand Lodge". R. Wor. Bro. Drinnan suitably thanked the ladies of Victoria Chapter of the Eastern Star for the splendid banquet which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

At 7:45 p.m. the Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labour and R. Wor. Bros. Scotland, Drinnan, Stowell and Baines were requested to retire and introduce the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers. They were received with Grand Honors and the Grand Master was escorted to the East where he was presented with the gavel. He invited the accompanying Grand Lodge officers to the East and thanked the brethren present for the reception accorded him. The Grand Lodge officers accompanying the Grand Master were, M. Wor. Bro. George Moore; M. Wor. Bro. Galbraith; R. Wor. Bro. W. Jackson,

Grand Junior Warden; R.W. Bro. Warren, D.D.G.M. of District No. 15 and quite a number of Past D.D.G.M's. from our own district. The meeting was well attended by the members of the Lodges who could get there, but the fact that Lodges from Castor, Coronation and Monitor were not represented, spoiled a perfect attendance, but as it was due to impassable roads, the Grand Master stated that he would be very pleased to visit the eastern Lodges of this district some time in the spring when there might be a possibility of getting through to that part of the country. That meeting is at present set for April 26th, at Coronation.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and adopted. Masters of three Lodges gave reports. As there was no programme requested by the Grand Master and the meeting left in the hands of the D.D.G.M. Papers had been requested from three different Lodges by brethren in three different walks of life on the subject of "To what practical use must the teachings of Freemasonry be put to, to uphold the honor and the reputation of the Craft". These papers were well received and there was quite a discussion by attending members and the Grand Secretary. It brought out the fact that changing world and personal conditions are laying a distinct liability on our Lodges and our conduct as Masons.

Nominations were called for the office of D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year and W. Bro. Robert Whitfield of Ionic Lodge No. 45 and W. Bro. Roy Hooper of Big Valley Lodge No. 140 were both nominated. W. Bro. English of Cavell Lodge and Bro. McCurdy of Grand Prairie Lodge were appointed scrutineers and the result of the ballot gave a majority to W. Bro. Whitfield who was therefore declared elected subject to the approval of Grand Lodge. W. Bro. Thorpe of Ionic Lodge No. 45 invited the District to meet at Alix and there being no further requests, it was unanimously agreed to hold the next District Meeting at that point.

As it was impossible for R.W. Bro. Stone to attend, the presentation of Past D.D.G.M. regalia was deferred to a later date. R.W. Bro. C. V. Bennett was requested to approach the East where Most Wor. the Grand Master presented him with a Fifty Year Jewel. Grand Lodge officers called upon for a few words were M. Wor. Bro. Moore; M. Wor. Bro. Galbraith, Past Grand Masters; Grand J. W. Bro. Jackson and R.W. Bro. Warren D.D.G.M. District No. 15.

The Grand Master then gave an interesting address, speaking on "World Conditions and the place and power of Freemasonry in such changing conditions"

A vote of thanks was given to the Grand Master and accompanying Grand Lodge officers for their help in making this such a successful and pleasant meeting.

MEETING OF LODGES

Beaver Lodge, Castor - One official meeting and two unofficial meetings. This Lodge in good shape financially and otherwise; degree work well performed and the members of this Lodge are setting a

good example to the citizens of their community. On the occasion of my official visit it gave me great pleasure to present to R. Wor. Bro. Stone a Past D.D.G.M. regalia. We in this district wish him many years to wear it. We appreciate his work in the District and his attachment to the Craft.

Coronation Lodge—One official meeting. This Lodge is very active and now have quite a number of young brethren who will soon be able to give that lift that only youth can give, an example of good living set by a young man is very noticeable and very needful these days.

Monitor Lodge, Consort—A small Lodge who stand by the words written by Rudyard Kipling, "But we know the Ancient Landmarks and we keep them to a hair". The brethren of this Lodge are scattered over a wide area, sixty miles is nothing when going to Lodge, muddy, gumbo or snow drifts, instead of pavement. Fellowship among such Brethren means something, and if the ritual is not strictly adhered to in every line, let us remember that there was Masonry before the ritual came into being and that the spirit of Masonry is not and never will be ritualism. I, as District Deputy Grand Master, appreciate and wish success to such Lodges.

Big Valley Lodge, Rumsey—So far, one unofficial meeting. Was present in June 1950 when the officers of that Lodge were installed and invested. My official meeting was cancelled because the brethren could not attend because of drifted roads. Another meeting to be held on April 3rd did not materialize because of road conditions, a car load finally got dragged through the mud to Rumsey but there was no meeting, so in May, intend to try again. It will be too late for this report. This Lodge is in good condition but scattered over a large area and weather conditions control attendance.

Ionic Lodge, Alix—Official meeting. This meeting was a success in every way. Very well attended by members from Cavell Lodge and Ancient Landmark of District No. 15 also a large number from Apollo. It was my best meeting and I was ably supported by R.W. Bro. Warren, District No. 15 as well as Past District Deputies from District No. 9 and 15. This Lodge can stand support from adjacent Lodges.

Apollo Lodge, Stettler—This meeting was fairly well taken up with degree work; there were a number of visitors and though a good meeting, it brings out the fact that degree work is not enough if we are to study the teachings of Freemasonry. The meeting in May will be free and I intend to use anytime allowed me to stress Masonic education and teachings.

Summary—The statistical report shows the financial standing of all Lodges in the district. Benevolent funds are not a strong point in this District and I do not think it is fair to a benevolent committee to be asked to handle an emergency and no money to handle it with. Insurance is rather a ticklish question as with the value of materials mounting, it is difficult to say what is a replaceable value.

Lodge members have got into the way of taking their Lodge as a Club, actually small rural Lodges live up to the precepts of Masonry better than larger ones. They know their neighbors and brother, his joys and his sorrows, they help one another when it is necessary. Our Third Degree obligation means a lot, does it mean anything to us?

Reports of Masters at Annual meetings—A repetition of statistical facts is not really what the Grand Master or District Deputy wants. It is an intimate report of what the Lodge had done in the community, such as social events, helping a brother other than through the benevolent fund, or in assisting a person who is not a Mason. Does the Lodge members as a whole, set the example they should as Masons and citizens? In short, the question is: Worshipful Master, what good is your Lodge doing to your community while under your direction?

Most Worshipful the Grand Master—I have not accomplished all I would have liked to have done while representing you in this District. Roads have been impassable.. I hope to make full use of the time still left at my disposal and intend to assist my successor, W. Bro. Whitfield in every way I can. I feel that I have not measured up to the honor given me by you and my District, and my pleasure in representing you has therefore somewhat dulled. I sincerely thank my secretary, W. Bro. Richardson and those brethren who travelled with me under very bad conditions.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

KENNETH A. CAMERON,
D.D.G.M. for District No. 9.

MASONIC DISTRICT No. 10

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

The following report on the condition of Freemasonry in District No. 10 is respectfully submitted for your consideration:

The District meeting was held on Oct. 19th in the Masonic Temple Vegreville under the auspices of St. Johns No. 25. We were honored by the attendance of the following Grand Lodge Officers; M.W. Brothers L. W. Bond and George Moore, and R.W. Brothers Torrance, McCool, Whitby, Bartlett, Taylor, Long, Walker, Campbell, Allen, Lister and Hurlburt. A total of 96 brethren signed the register.

On account of wet weather and bad road conditions Waskatenau and Kitscoty were not represented.

An informal afternoon session was held when questions concerning Masonry were answered by the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. The problem of Kilwinning's amalgamating with Hope No. 38 was freely discussed and also the possibility of forming a new Lodge at Elk Point.

The evening session was opened by the brethren of St. Johns, W. Bro. H. Cantelon in the Master's chair. After reception of Grand

Lodge officers and reading the minutes, R.W. Bro. L. L. Lister reported on his activities for the previous year.

The reports of the 11 Worshipful Masters present showed all lodges in a healthy condition Masonically and financially with the exception of Kilwinning which has fallen on hard times and was about to take what action was necessary to amalgamate with Hope.

A sincere and inspiring paper on "What a young member expects from Freemasonry" was presented by Bro. Ray Reiersen of St. Albans and thoroughly enjoyed.

W. Bro. Murray Hamilton of Acacia No. 11 was unanimously elected D.D.G.M. of District No. 10 for 1951-52.

The regalia of P.D.D.G.M. was presented to R.W. Bro. L. L. Lister by the Grand Master on behalf of the brethren of District No. 10. R.W. Bro. Lister thanked the brethren and expressed his appreciation for the friendship and co-operation accorded him during his year of office.

The Grand Master spoke impressively on the honor and dignity of being a Freemason and on the work and ideals of the institution. Several Grand Lodge Brethren spoke briefly and the meeting was closed in harmony at 10:30 p.m.

Waskatenau No. 154 was visited on Aug. 2nd. This is a small lodge with 19 resident and 15 non resident members. In spite of hard times in the district for the past three years the lodge is in sound financial condition, the morale of the brethren is good. The books of the lodge are beautifully kept and up to date with the exception of the Historical register which is several years behind.

Official visit to St. Alban's No. 145 was on Aug. 26th. This is an active Lodge of 61 members 36 of whom are resident. Officers are proficient and morale is high. They meet in the United Church, but have a building program under consideration for a hall of their own. A movement is on feet for a new lodge to be formed from St. Albans at Elk Point as soon as the loss of the Elk Point brethren will not be too severely felt by the Mother Lodge.

Kilwinning No. 110 was visited on Aug. 21st. A bare quorum was present. This lodge had only 10 resident members and 3 of these had not attended lodge for a long time. The election of officers had been held in 1950, and only 6 meetings in the past 14 months. It was deemed impossible to carry on and when I revisited the Lodge on Sept. 18th it was voted unanimously to amalgamate with Hope No. 38 located 14 miles east of Mannville. After the necessary formalities had been carried out this amalgamation formally took place on March 12, 1951.

Hope No. 38 was visited officially on Sept. 11th. Three brothers named Stewart were passed to the F.C. degree on that occasion, the work being very creditably put on by the regular officers of the lodge. The warm friendliness among the brethren of this lodge is very

noticeable, and it is greatly strengthened by the presence in its membership of R.W. Brothers C. G. Torrance and N. Crookes, P.D.D.G.Ms. This lodge sustained the loss during the past year of R.W. Bro. Percy Fielding Grand Tyler for many years past.

The Official visit to Kitscoty No. 131 was made on Sept 19th. The lodgeroom was crowded by a large turn out of members and an almost equal number of visitors from Vermilion, Hope and St. Albans. W. Bro. Chas. Robertson and his officers demonstrated the first degree using W. Bro. F. C. Seabrook as a candidate. It was most efficiently done. This is a friendly, happy, active lodge.

On Oct. 3rd I paid my official visit to Vermilion No. 24. This is a large active lodge with 60 resident and 84 non-resident members. On this occasion Bro. Robt. Fair M.P. received the F.C. degree from the capable hands of W. Bro. J. G. Adams and his officers. The books of the lodge are up to date and models of neatness and accuracy.

St. Johns No. 25 was visited on Sept 4th and again on Oct. 2nd. They own their own building and their lodge room is a thing of beauty in which they take a proper pride. This is one of the two York Rite lodges in the district. The officers and brethren meet often to practise the work and the results are evident in the way their degree work is done. The books are in good order and the historical register is up to date.

The official visit to Lamont No. 94 was made on Oct. 9th. The weather was inclement but there was a good turn out of members. Two candidates were initiated in a very capable manner by W. Bro. R. S. Harrison and his officers. This is an active lodge with genuine friendliness evident among the members.

Victoria No. 13 was visited on Oct. 10th. This is one of the oldest lodges in the district with 22 resident and 26 non-resident members. They have many visitors from Edmonton lodges but face a certain drainage of membership to the larger centre. The sturdy spirit of the brethren here ensures survival and growth.

Norwood No. 90 visited on Feb. 6th and April 17th is one of the most active lodges in the district. I watched the E.A. degree given to five candidates on Druggists Night by a degree team of pharmacists with W. Bro. L. O. Sanders acting as W.M. The lectures and charges were given with a dignity and impressiveness that will be long remembered.

I was able to visit Dominion No. 117 on their police night and again on April 11th at their regular meeting. Dominion is a strong active lodge, the officers keen and competent. The books of the secretary are up to date, even the historical register, and beautifully kept.

Acacia No. 11, the largest lodge in the district is also of the most active. Their present quarters while apparently commodious are becoming too small, and a building program is under contemplation. Their festival nights are a pleasant feature of each year's program

and keen competition is evident between the sons of St. Andrew, St. Patrick and St. George respectively. The side-benchers are kept busy with degree work. Regular practices are held and inter lodge visitations are frequent. They have recently culminated a very advantageous real estate deal under the astute management of R.W. Jim McCool.

My last official visit of the year was paid to Empire No. 63 on April 16th. This is one of the older Edmonton Lodges, solidly entrenched, largely British in membership and with a hardworking competent slate of officers. Their books are well kept and their minute book particularly could serve as a model for other lodges. They also appear to have some useful ideas on the problem of multiple balloting.

Altogether the year has been a thoroughly enjoyable one. Most Worshipful Sir, Brotherly love and harmony prevail throughout the lodges of the district. I regret the loss of Kilwinning No. 110 from our roll of lodges but trust that their future Masonic life with Hope No. 38 will be a happy one.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

F. G. MILLER,
D.D.G.M. District No.10

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 11

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have pleasure in submitting my report for your approval and consideration, as D.D.G.M. of District No. 11, for the term of 1950-51.

It has been my pleasure to visit every lodge in the district at least once, some of them twice, and some for the third time. It is with a great deal of regret that I have relinquish my duties so soon, for, as D.D.G.M. I have thoroughly enjoyed the visitations I have had with the brethren of District No. 11. The co-operation I have received has been wonderful, and I am looking forward to a few more visits before my term expires. I was very fortunate in having good weather and good roads in all my visits and did not have to cancel any of my dates.

Masonry in District No. 11 is in very sound condition, both financially and materially. All lodges have had an increase in membership during the past year, with the exception of one, and some good material has been brought into the membership of the various lodges. Four of the seven lodges in the district own their lodge room, one, namely, Champion Lodge No. 84, having recently acquired their own, after working on the project for some time. Four lodges work in the York Rite and three in the Canadian Rite.

Arrears of dues with the exception of two lodges are not large. There have been four suspensions for non-payment of dues, all in one lodge. In some of the lodges I found the Historical Register not

kept up to date, and I would make a suggestion that the secretaries keep this up to date for future reference.

The officers of all the lodges are well versed in Masonic Work, and in every instance where I visited, and there happened to be degree work, this work was put on in a very impressive manner. I would especially like to give a great deal of credit to the degree team of Vulcan lodge No. 74. They have a degree team that would do credit to any lodge, and they can be justly proud of them.

My first duty as D.D.G.M. was the joint installation of the new officers of the three lodges in the district working in the Canadian Rite, Namely, Robert Burns No. 49, Pyramid No. 108, and Cresset No. 136, on the evening of June 26th. I am not in favor of a joint installation ceremony as too many of the officers cannot be installed at this time, for various reasons. This was no exception, as the officers of one of the lodges could not be installed at this time from unavoidable circumstances. As Robert Burns lodge No. 49 is my mother lodge it was with a great deal of pleasure on my part that this ceremony took place in Carmangay.

The District meeting was held on Nov. 16th at Barons, at which time we had the pleasure of having with us our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond, the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore the Junior Grand Warden R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, and the Grand Steward V.W. Bro. N. Christ. A record turnout of over 50 per cent of the resident members of the district was present, and I firmly believe that holding the district meeting at a later date than usual was responsible for the good attendance at this time. W. Bro. J. W. Neilson was elected D.D.G.M. of district No. 11, for the term of 1951-52, and I wish him every success in the future. W. Bro. Neilson is a member of Robert Burns Lodge No. 49. R.W. Bro. D. D. McQueen of Vulcan Lodge No. 74 acted as district secretary at this meeting and my sincere thanks to him. A great deal of discussion took place at this meeting, and I am sure the brethren received a great deal of Masonic knowledge from it.

It was also my pleasure to attend the district meeting of district No. 7, held at Milk River, at which time I met many of our Brethren from south of the border. At the invitation of R.W. Bro. Harold Gates of district No. 6, I attended the district meeting at Stavely, where I met many new Brethren.

On the evening of Sept. 19th I visited Pyramid Lodge No. 108, at Lomond, where I had the honor of installing the officers of that lodge for the ensuing term.

One of the high lights of my term of office was being present at Vulcan on the evening of Nov. 7th, when the Vulcan Lodge No. 74 held their annual wild fowl supper. This an event eagerly looked forward to by the Brethren of district No. 11. All the lodges in the district were represented, with the exception of one, and I am sure that if more lodges undertook something in this nature, more good fellowship would be the outcome. Many of the Grand Lodge officers were present, including our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond,

Grand Secretary, M.W. Geo. Moore, Grand Junior Warden R.W. Bro. W. Jackson, and many other distinguished visitors.

I would at this time like to express my appreciation to W. Bro. C. B. Nelson of Cresset Lodge No. 136, for the assistance he gave me in acting as Director of Ceremonies during the different installation ceremonies I had the pleasure of taking part in.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Granite Lodge No. 127—I made my first official visit as D.D.G.M. on Oct. 4th, by visiting Granite Lodge at Blackie. This was their first meeting after the summer recess and they did not have a large turnout, but a very enjoyable evening was spent renewing old acquaintances and new ones. Granite Lodge is well versed in Masonic Work and have been quite active in Masonic work throughout the year. They own their lodge room and are in good sound condition.

Champion Lodge No. 84—I officially visited this lodge on Oct. 12th. This is one of the larger lodges in the district, and they have had a very successful year, having taken in some good material. We were honored by the presence of our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson. The brethren have recently acquired their own lodge room, after working on the project for sometime. The Lodge has pledged its future to some extent to acquire this lodge room, but I feel sure it is in good hands, and with careful planning they will see their way through. I also visited this lodge on Nov. 23rd, when Vulcan Lodge No. 74, conferred the third degree on two of the Champion members. It was also my pleasure to preside at the installation ceremony on Jan. 12th, at which time they held their first meeting in the new Lodge Room.

Pyramid Lodge No. 108—I made my official visit to Pyramid Lodge No. 108, on Oct. 17. A very poor turnout was encountered at this meeting. Pyramid Lodge seems to have a great deal of difficulty in getting members to attend. This situation has been quite noticeable here for sometime. More especially so among the older members, who have apparently lost interest in their Lodge Work. With the average attendance they have been getting they have found it very hard to carry on. I made several suggestions during my visit with regards to trying to increase their attendance. During my visits to neighboring lodges, I made it a point to ask these lodges to visit with Pyramid Lodge as much as possible, so they would not lose interest in their lodge entirely. The officers are not well up in their work, and this may be one of the reasons they are not getting the attendance they should have. I would recommend they do more studying of the Masonic Work.

Vulcan Lodge No. 74—I made my official visit to Vulcan Lodge on Dec. 5th. This lodge has the largest membership of any lodge in the district No. 11. They are very active and have taken in a number of new members during the last year, and more applications are being received, which will mean more activity in the future. All the officers are well up in their Masonic Work, and are a credit to the Lodge. I had the pleasure of witnessing some of this degree work

and was very well pleased with the way it was put on. Keep up the good work, Vulcan.

Robert Burns Lodge No. 49—I made my official visit to Robert Burns Lodge No. 49 on Dec. 11th. As this is my Mother Lodge, it was with a great deal of pleasure on my part to visit here as D.D.G.M. Robert Burns has one of the most beautiful lodge rooms in the district, owned by the lodge. For a number of years they have had the name of having one of the most skillful slate of officers in the district. This no doubt can be traced back to the interest the older members are taking in their Masonic Work, giving the younger members any help which they need. This Lodge has been active in the past year, and all indications point to a good future.

Nobleford Lodge No. 111—I officially visited Nobleford Lodge on Dec. 12th. This lodge in finding it very hard to function as many of their members have left to reside in other parts of the country, leaving their resident membership very small. But great credit must be given this lodge for the faithful attendance of their resident membership, which averages 80 to 100 per cent. Here I found the true Masonic Spirit, in the Masonic round table discussion which was carried on after the meeting. They have had no increase in membership during the past three years, but three applications came in during the meeting, and they have hopes of more. The locality of this lodge has a bearing on their membership, and I would like to suggest to them to "carry on".

Cresset Lodge No. 136—I made my official visit to my home lodge on March 19, 1951. Cresset Lodge has picked up wonderful in the past few years and at the present time is doing very well, having added some good material to their membership. The slate of officers are all young Masons and are very skilful in the presentation of any of the work. The lodge is in sound condition in every way, and through the advice of the older members is gaining Masonically in every way. The lodge does not own its lodge room, but negotiations are under way, whereby this achievement may be realized.

In a general summing up of the condition of Masonry in District No. 11, I find that there has been a general improvement in Masonry throughout the entire district, and everything points to a healthy condition in the future. In closing, M.W. Sir, may I add that it has been a great experience for me to have served as your District Deputy for the past term. It has been an experience that I will never regret as having accepted.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

P. J. ASPLUND,
D.D.G.M, District No. 11.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 12

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report, as DD.G.M., on Masonic conditions and progress, in District No. 12, for the year 1950-51.

May I be permitted M.W. Sir, to express to you my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me in my election to this office, may I always prove worthy of that honor. To the brethren who elected me to the position of District Deputy, I also express appreciation of the confidence they have placed in me. I have endeavoured during my term to discharge the duties of the office to the best of my ability and I trust M.W. Sir to your satisfaction. I am pleased to report that in this District Masonry is in a splendid condition. During my term of office I have visited every Lodge in the District. A most fraternal spirit is in evidence and harmony and brotherly love prevails.

District Meeting: The District meeting of District No. 12 was held in the Masonic Temple on Wednesday, October 18th, 1950.

The meeting was opened by the Officers of Westlock Lodge No. 114, with W. Bro. D. Downing in the E. The D.D.G.M. was then formally received and assumed the Chair

The meeting was favoured by the attendance of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond and the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore with other G.L. Officers in suite, who were received with Grand Honors and escorted to the E. The M.W. the Grand Master thanked the brethren for their reception and asked the D.D. to assume the Gavel.

Minutes of District meeting held Oct. 11th, 1949 read and adopted.

Report of R.W. Bro. H. W. Taylor, P.D.D.G.M. on the condition of Masonry in District No. 12 received.

Presentation of P.D.D. Regalia to R.W. Bro. Taylor by R.W. Bro. W. E. Briggs.

Lodge reports given by the Masters with the exceptions of Onoway No. 138 and Whitecourt 153. V.W. Bro. J. G. Campbell was nominated and elected as D.D.G.M. for ensuing term, and recommended to the M.W. the Grand Master for his approval.

Financial statement for District read, received and adopted.

M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore addressed the meeting briefly and led a discussion on many aspects of Free Masonry, his prompt and descriptive replies fully covering all points raised by the Brethren indicated a wealth of Masonic knowledge.

Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond, dealt with our individual responsibilities as Masons, his inspiring remarks couched in

friendly terms will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to hear them.

All Brethren were invited to partake of a Buffet Lunch in the Basement of the Temple, which brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

On the afternoon of the District Meeting an invitation was extended to all Masters, Wardens and secretaries to meet our M.W. Grand Master and M.W. Grand Secretary. It was suprising the interest that developed as our discussions progressed. What a pleasure to meet informally with the leaders of our Craft and to avail ourselves of their knowledge and experience, Grand Lodge is to be congratulated on it's choice of leadership.

VISITATIONS

Jasper Lodge No. 14—My official visit was made to this Lodge on Nov. 13th, 1950. This is one of the oldest Lodges in the District and has an enthusiastic membership. There was no degree work, the work of the Lodge was carried on in a very efficient manner. My sincere thanks to R.W. Bro. H. B. Fowler for his co-operation, his books and reports were all in order.

Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71—This Lodge in Athabasca was officially visited Sept. 10th, 1950. I was enthusiastically received, there was a splendid attendance of members and visitors present. The First Degree was conferred in a creditable manner, leaving I am sure a favorable impression on the Candidate and all present. The Secretary Bro. M. W. Hitchins is an ideal secretary, obtaining the co-operation of the Brethren and keeping his books in good shape.

Strathcona Lodge No. 77—I visited Strathcona Lodge No. 77 on Nov. 24th, 1950 and was cordially received by W. Bro. Patterson. I was accompanied by quite a few of the Brethren from my own Lodge. There was a good attendance of members and visitors. The M.M. Degree was conferred on a class of seven, the work being splendidly portrayed. The Secretary R.W. Bro. J. Patterson is an officer who may be described as invaluable to his Lodge, his books and records are kept in an excellent manner, with everything up to date. Prospects of Lodge excellent.

Patricia Lodge No. 91 My official visit to Patricia Lodge No. 91 was carried out on March 23rd, 1951, accompanied by Brethren of my Lodge. There was no Degree work, balloting and the regular business of the Lodge was carried out in an efficient manner. The Officers of this Lodge are enthusiastic in their work and are to be congratulated.

Saskatchewan No. 92, Edmonton -My official visit to Saskatchewan Lodge No. 92 was made on April 12th, 1951. There was no Degree work but the routine business of the Lodge was conducted in a very capable manner. I was pleased to see the interest taken in the Work of the Lodge. The Secretary Bro. Geo. Emery is very capable and to be congratulated on the manner in which his work is kept up. Seemingly splendid harmony and cooperation in this Lodge.

West Edmonton No. 101—My official visit to West Edmonton Lodge No. 101 was made on Nov. 29th, 1950, with a very good attendance, the officers are all efficient in their work. The M.M. Degree was conferred on a class of candidates and the officers are to be congratulated on the able manner in which they did their work. The secretary Bro. J. E. Dodds has his books in splendid shape, my sincere thanks to the Master and Secretary for their co-operation.

Westlock Lodge No. 114 This is my own Lodge which I have the pleasure of attending regularly, on Dec. 27th, at the request of the W.M., I had the pleasure of assisting W. Bro. R. C. Ponding to install the officers for 1951. I officially visited this Lodge on Aug. 3rd, 1950, when the F.C. Degree was conferred in a very impressive manner, there was a large attendance of members and visitors. The Lodge is in splendid shape with prospects good. The officers are on their toes giving all they have to the work of Masonry. The books are well kept and up to date, W. Bro. J. Wagner is also bringing the Historical register up to date.

Pembina Lodge No. 126—In company with two cars of brethren from my own Lodge we made the trip to Sangudo on my official visit to Pembina Lodge No. 126 on Oct. 3rd, 1950. There was no degree work but the routine business of the Lodge was carried out in a splendid manner. The books of the secretary are in good shape. This is a Canadian Rite Lodge as are the other three on this line, I advocated an exchange of visits with each other which would I am sure improve attendance. I wish to extend to this Lodge my sincere appreciation of the hearty welcome extended.

Onoway Lodge No. 138—Accompanied by my worthy Secretary W. Bro. R. C. Ponting we made a visit to Onoway Lodge No. 138 on Nov. 4th, 1950. There was no Degree work but the Brethren went through the routine work of the Lodge splendidly. They have been having a hard time but I am glad to report that the new Secretary of the Lodge, Bro. E. A. Dixon has improved matters a lot, they are now back in Degree work again.

Ivanhoe No. 142—I made my official visit to Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142 on April 10th, 1951, accompanied by W. Bro. M. M. Watt and W. Bro. F. Merryweather. It was my pleasure to enter the Lodge with M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, P.G.M. and be received by W. Bro. W. G. Stillman. This meeting was well attended by members, visitors and representatives from the Masters, Wardens and Deacons Association. The first Degree was exemplified in a splendid manner and I am sure made its impression on the Candidates. My sincere thanks to R.W. Bro. J. Madill for his co-operation, he is the right Brother in the right place.

Mayerthorpe No. 148 My official visit to this Lodge, Mayerthorpe No. 148 was made Oct. 10th, 1950, on this occasion two cars of Brethren went with me from Westlock. There was a splendid meeting to witness the M.M. Degree which was well done, the business of the Lodge well attended to. On this occasion Brethren from Whitecourt and Pembina were present. The books of the Lodge were all

in order and my thanks to the Secretary for his co-operation in attending to my reports.

Whitecourt No. 153—My official visit to Whitecourt Lodge No. 153 was made on Aug. 19th, 1950. This was an emergent meeting for the purpose of taking up a matter which The M.W. the Grand Master wanted attention paid to. This was not a large meeting but what we lacked in quantity we had in quality. R.W. Bro. Govenlock was acting as Secretary, what books he had were up to date. There was no Degree work, their trouble has been looked into, their responsibility pointed out and they are going after it that harmony may prevail. I have since met the Secretary and have his assurance that the Lodge is now doing fine, my thanks to him for his co-operation.

Gateway No. 164—My official visit to Gateway Lodge No. 164, Edmonton, was made on April 10th, 1951, accompanied by Brethren from my own Lodge. I was received by W. Bro. C. L. McLachin and invited to a Seat in the East. The regular business of the Lodge was well conducted. The E.A. Degree was conferred at this meeting impressing the Candidate, the officers are on their toes. W. Bro. H. Chowne as Secretary is to be congratulated on his work very able in his duties and a credit to his Lodge.

In every case I found the Lodges in good condition financially, the working of the Lodge and Degree work efficiently done and above all an excellent feeling of Harmony prevailing. I feel that there is little cause for anxiety in regard to the present condition of the Lodges in this District. The larger and stronger Lodges are doing excellent work in benevolence, while perhaps the smaller Lodges are not in a position to spend money for this purpose, I am fully convinced that in real Benevolence and helpfulness they are doing all in their power. In conclusion, I wish to again express my sincere appreciation to the Brethren of District No. 12 for their splendid support and co-operation during my term of office. I especially wish to thank W. Bro. R. C. Ponting for his efficient work as District Secretary and the Brethren of Westlock Lodge who were so good in seeing that I had ways and means of getting to my meetings. Finally I trust that my humble efforts have in some way helped to promote the true Spirit of Masonry throughout the District.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

W. J. McCULLOUGH,
D.D.G.M. District No. 12.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 13

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my report on the Condition of Freemasonry as I found it during my tour of duties as your District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 13 for the years 1950 and 1951.

Our District Meeting was held at Grande Prairie on Wednesday, the 19th day of July, 1950, and was the first of such meetings held during the year.

It was a privilege to have yourself and so many distinguished brethren present at that time. Among those who attended were:

Most Worshipful Brother H. B. Macdonald, Immediate Past Grand Master, Zetland Lodge No. 83, Calgary; Most Worshipful Brother George Moore, Grand Secretary; Right Worshipful Brother Harry E. Howard, Sr. Grand Warden; Right Worshipful Brother W. H. Jackson, Jr. Grand Warden; Most Worshipful Brother John Martland, Chairman of the Committee on the Work; Most Worshipful Brother F. P. Calbraith, Kenilworth Lodge No. 29, Red Deer; Most Worshipful Brother Sam Harris, Wahpun Lodge No. 88, High Prairie; Right Worshipful Brother F. J. Kavanagh, Past Grand Registrar, Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142, Edmonton; Right Worshipful Brother W. Betts, P.D.D.G.M., Chief Mountain Lodge No. 58, Cardston, and Worshipful Brother J. M. McArthur, of Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 142, through whose kindness a special car was run from Edmonton for the convenience of some of the visiting brethren.

The attendance was the largest ever held at a District Meeting in District No. 13. The Master of all Lodges in the District were present. There were also nine Past District Deputy Grand Masters, one Past Grand Stewart and thirty-one Past Masters.

The Masters reported on the Condition of Masonry in the various Lodges and Brother Canon Standish of Grande Prairie Lodge gave an address on Masonry and Christianity. Most Worshipful Brother Moore gave a further address on the History and Development of Masonry. Worshipful Brother William Cassie of Spirit River Lodge No. 116 was elected unanimously as the District Deputy Grand Master for District 13 for the succeeding year and the place for the District Meeting for 1951 was chosen as Spirit River. The Most Worshipful Grand Master spoke on the Youth Movement in Masonry and Most Worshipful Brother Martland explained some features of the work.

After the meeting at 7 p.m. a luncheon was served in the basement at the new Masonic Lodge at Grande Prairie.

It was a privilege also to go with you and the visiting brethren on the 20th of July to visit the Masonic Lodge at Fort St. John, British Columbia, and I trust that travelling through the district was an enjoyable experience for you and your party.

During the year I visited the Lodges in the District as follows:

Peace River Lodge No. 89, 5th October, 1950.
Wahpun Lodge No. 88, 11th October, 1950.
Spirit River Lodge No. 116, 16th October, 1950.
Grande Prairie Lodge No. 105, 9th November, 1950.
Lake Saskatoon Lodge, No. 106, 2nd November, 1950.
Sexsmith Lodge No. 160, 5th December, 1950.
Hythe Lodge No. 156, 28th December, 1950.
Northland Lodge No. 147, 13th February, 1951.

At all Lodges the books, including Minutes, Ledger, Black Book, Historical Register were in good order. These meetings were all held on a regular Lodge Night and there was a good attendance throughout. The various officers had their work well up and the business of the Lodge was conducted with efficiency.

I might mention that there is a tendency in most Lodges to elect quite young men to the position of Master or Warden and I was struck with the keenness that these younger men showed towards carrying out their duties.

I greatly appreciate the honor and privilege of having acted as your official representative as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13 for the Masonic year 1950-51.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

D. W. PATTERSON,
D.D.G.M. District No. 13.

14th MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

It is my honor and privilege to submit for your consideration and approval my report as your deputy for District No. 14 for the year 1950-51.

I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the honor they did me in electing me D.D.G.M. and for the pleasure it has given me to serve them in that high office. It has been the richest experience of my life and one that I'll never forget. I also wish to thank the W.M's., Officers and Members of all lodges for their warm and friendly reception on all my visits. To you, M.W. Sir, for the kind assistance and support at all times, my sincere thanks.

VISITATIONS

I visited all lodges in the district once, several twice, except Crocus No. 115, which, with roads permitting will do so on May 3rd. My visits were as follows:

Craigmyle Lodge No. 132, August 8th.
Acadia Lodge No. 82, August 22nd.
Berry Creek Lodge No. 158, August 23rd.
Oyen Lodge No. 104, September 5th.
Empress Lodge No. 161, September 28th.
Hanna Lodge No. 78, October 2nd.
Hand Hills Lodge No. 98, February 21st.
Crocus Lodge No. 115, May 3rd.

Liquid assets of the district amounts to \$5,162.76 and current liabilities, \$1,561.90. Total net worth is \$23,489.27 and insurance coverage on the property and equipment totals \$25,100.00. Coverage is adequate and most lodges have recently revised and increased their policies.

The sum of \$574.78 was directly expended on Benevolence by the lodges of the district.

Arrears of dues amounts to \$1,133.85 for 97 members. This is almost 20 per cent and is too high. Several individual lodge returns indicates that possibly they are not invoking sections 232 and 233 of the constitution. I strongly urge all Masters to follow this procedure. Personally, I do not like to see any brother suspended for N.P.D. and their considered action by remission will quite often bring back a brother to an active interest in the lodge.

All but two lodges own their own halls and several are making major alterations and improvements and they are to be highly commended.

A brief review of the statistical report is as follows:

Resident members	309	
Non-resident members	200	
		509
Increases		
By Initiation	20	
By Affiliation	4	
By Restoration	1	25
Decreases		
By Dimit	1	
By Death	7	8
Net Increase in membership		17

DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Oyen on Wednesday, October 5th, 1950. The meeting was well attended with representation from all lodges, including eight P.D.D.G.M's. We were honored, M.W. Sir, by your presence, and that of M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Junior Warden and V.W. Bro. S. H. Smith, Grand Steward.

Registration commenced at 2:30 p.m. followed by a round table discussion on Masonic matters. Many questions on the constitution, lodge procedure and practice, etc., were brought forward and fully answered by the Grand Lodge Officers, which was both interesting and instructive to the brethren present. At 6 o'clock, a very enjoyable banquet was given in the Oyen Theatre and my sincerest appreciation is extended to the brethren of Oyen Lodge for the splendid arrangements they made.

The District Meeting proper was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Wor. Bro. Hall and Officers of Oyen Lodge No. 104. The D.D.G.M.

was then officially received and opened the meeting in prescribed form. The M.W. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond, together with the Grand Secretary and other Grand Lodge Officers were introduced by R.W. Bro. J. G. O'dell and received with Grand Honors and invited to the East.

One minute silence was observed in honor to those Brethren who have passed to the Grand Lodge above.

R.W. H. Forster, I.P.D.D.G.M. presented his report, on the condition of Masonry, stating it was indeed very healthy and was later presented with the Regalia of his office by M.W. Bro. Bond, who highly commended him for his faithful work and exemplary life.

Masters from the various lodges then gave their reports. In all instances a healthy Masonic condition was evident.

A short address entitled "The Boy and the Man, Today and Tomorrow" based on Eccl. XII, given by Rev. Bro. J. Edgar Clarke of Hanna, was much enjoyed. Bro. Clarke urged that we be true to our Masonic Principles which included being good churchmen, faithful supporters, particularly through our attendance.

M.W. Bro. George Moore favored the gathering with a short address giving the brethren some very interesting information on early Masonic History in Canada. His remarks so stimulated many brethren that they are continuing their study in this interesting field and such research can only bring them increased Masonic knowledge.

Wor. Bro. Glen Russell of Empress Lodge No. 161 was the unanimous choice for the office of D.D.G.M. for the coming year, (subject to the approval of the Grand Master) and Empress was selected as the place of the next district meeting.

The M.W. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond addressed the meeting and expressed his satisfaction with the interest being taken in Masonry throughout the district as judged from the various reports. Referring to the Order as founded on the V.S.L. and a further search for the Almighty, he applied the principles of Freemasonry in the world today as being a potent means for checking much of the world's evils and restoring mankind to a better way of living. The G.M. also suggests yearly gatherings with the youth of our district. He strongly recommended Divine Worship by lodge members, not only as individuals but as lodges attending in a group.

My appreciation of valued services generously rendered is extended to W. Bro. G. R. McCrea who acted so capably as District Secretary.

GENERAL

The condition of Masonry in this district is excellent. The lodges are active and good progress being made in all instances. It is particularly gratifying to see so many young men joining the Craft and taking an active and enthusiastic part in our assemblies.

The officers of the lodges are keen and on the whole the work is commendable although in some instances practices by the officers would be beneficial.

Dues are adequate and only one lodge is discussing an increase. Lodge records are in good shape and proper audits are made.

Historical Registers are not in very good shape. Some are far behind but I have sincere promises that this work will be brought up to date so that activities of the lodge and its members in worthwhile affairs may be faithfully recorded for the benefit of another generation.

The Bulletin is received and distributed by all lodges in the district to all members. It is appreciated for its wealth of splendid and varied material and is of particular value to our new members.

During my visits, M.W. Sir, as this district was poorly represented at Grand Lodge, I have endeavoured to cover the high lights of that convocation, to acquaint the brethren with the discussions and to bring the lodges and the members closer to Grand Lodge. I particularly stressed the attendance of the Worshipful Master and Senior Warden, as these senior officers would return better qualified for their offices and familiar with the business, trends and movements in Grand Lodge.

In consideration of the feeling in this district that Grand Lodge should make greater use of the Benevolent Fund, I went into considerable detail to cover the report presented by M.W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock and urged further study by the lodges.

The suggestion that Grand Lodge give consideration to enlarging the scope of the Grand Lodge Office was enlarged on and that lodges would no doubt be receiving advice of notice of motion to cover constitutional amendments to carry out such suggestions, when these matters could be further discussed by lodges. It was also pointed out that such changes would require additional finances and that an increase and different distribution of the Per Capita Tax would be up for discussion at Grand Lodge next June.

In their program of Masonic Education, I urged all Masters to use and read in open lodge the splendid material found in the proceedings of the Banff Conference of which every lodge is supplied a copy for such use.

As my talks, M.W. Sir, were thus general, in closing I tried to leave this thought with the brethren present. That we must be prepared to practice outside the lodge rooms those great truths we learn therein. That as individual Masons we should take a more active part in all community affairs and to actively support the church of our choice.

To M.W. Bro. George Moore, our Grand Secretary, my sincerest appreciation and thanks for the many kindnesses shown and guidance given in many matters during the year.

My deepest appreciation to V.W. Bro. S. H. Smith, Grand Steward, who accompanied me on all my visits and whose support, cheerful

disposition and friendliness added so much to all my visits.

To my successor, Wor. Bro. Glen Russell, my best wishes for a very successful year and I know he will receive the same grand support as I have enjoyed from the brethren of this district.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

R. L. WOOD,

D.D.G.M. District No. 14.

15th MASONIC DISTRICT No. 15

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have great pleasure in submitting for your consultation and approval, my report on the condition of Freemasonry in District No. 15 for the year 1950-51.

The annual District Meeting was held in Trochu, in the Elks Hall on November 2nd, 1950.

I am pleased to inform you that all Lodges in District 15 were well represented, with a total attendance of 113.

The Brethren commenced to assemble early in the afternoon, and an informal meeting was held in the Masonic Hall; during which period the members were able to renew acquaintance with Grand Lodge Officials in discussing many points of interest to all members of the Craft.

The District Meeting proper opened at 7:30 p.m. and the Officials of St. Andrews Lodge capably opened the Lodge.

The business of the meeting preceeded smoothly, following the usual procedure of such meetings. Excellent papers were given by R.W. Bro. James Marshall, and V.W. Bro. J.P. Ferguson both on subjects of keen interest to all Freemasons.

The Grand Masters presentation of Regalia to R.W. Bro. Mathers (the retiring District Deputy) was one of the highlights of the occasion. R.W. Bro. Mathers is well known and beloved by the whole district and his report evidenced the time and interest he had taken in the discharge of his duties. V.W. Bro. J.P. Ferguson was elected the incoming D.D.G.M. for the district and feel certain that under his guidance, Masonry in District 15 is in for another successful year.

The climax of the evening was the thought provoking address given by our Grand Master, Most W. Bro. LeRoy Bond, and his remarks will be well remembered by the brethren who were fortunate enough to have the privilege of hearing him.

I must now account for the performance of my official duties and my first official visit was to **St. Andrews Lodge**, Trochu, on November 9th, 1950. While the attendance was small, I was cordially

received by the officers and members, and spent a pleasant evening. The books and records were well kept and the interest in Masonry appeared keen. The Lodge benefited greatly by the activities of R.W. Bro. J. P. Ferguson who, with their long service to the Craft, still retain their interest and example to the younger members.

On November 14th I visited **Fidelity Lodge** at Bashaw. The attendance was fair and I was impressed by the beautiful Lodge Room Fidelity possesses and the splendid way in which the books and records were kept by R.W. Bro. Marshall. This meeting was the installation of officers, and I found the officers very efficient in their work.

My next official visit was on November 15th when I visited **Cypress Lodge** at Three Hills. I found Masonry in a very healthy state at Cypress. The Brethren have purchased a building which houses their Lodge Room above, with a revenue producing asset on the ground floor. Again, I must comment on the excellent state in which the books and records were kept by R.W. Bro. Hart, who has been secretary for many years.

November 16th I visited **Acme** where I was again well received. Unfortunately, the Worshipful Master was absent but his chair was capably filled by W.B. Ray Davis. I was delighted to find that R.W. Bro. Braisher was present, and he gave a most interesting talk on the early history of Acme Lodge. The Secretary R.W. Bro. J. Smith is to be congratulated on the way he keeps the Lodge records.

November 20th I visited my Mother Lodge, **Cavell No. 125**. I was quite honored by the presence of our Grand Junior Warden (R.W. Bro. Jackson) who gave us quite a lot of information upon dealing with Benevolence. We had almost a full attendance of the Brethren of Cavell, and I am glad to be able to report that interest is very keen. The officers put on their work exceptionally well, and I am very proud of them all. The books and records are well looked after by W. Bro. Boorse.

Irricana was my next visit on November 25th. On account of weather conditions the attendance was not what they usually have. This was also their election of officers, and my only regret was that you were unable to be there yourself. The secretary, W. Bro. Longson had his records in splendid condition and there is no doubt that Irricana Lodge is in a healthy state.

Finally, on December 7th I made my official visit to **Ancient Landmark** at Mirror. There was a good attendance at this Meeting, and the first degree of Masonry was very well put on, and quite impressive to me, who was raised in the Canadian Rite. They are able to rent very comfortable quarters and appear to be making good progress. The Secretary had his records in good order, and I enjoyed the evening very much.

Finally, Most Worshipful Sir, I believe the state of Masonry in District 15 is at a high level. Wherever I went, I found Keen interest, and desire to improve in every way.

It should be noted, that with the exception of Cavell and Ancient Landmark all other Lodges in this District, own their own premises, and are thus able to constantly make permanent improvement in their furnishings.

My duties have been a pleasure, and I only hope that the Brethren at large have benefited as much as I have, by my visits among them.

The highlights of the year were when you Most Worshipful Sir made an official visit to Cavell Lodge on April 16th, where all Lodges were represented except Ancient Landmark. There were many visitors present from District 9. Members and visitors numbered 93, and the meeting at Irricana, your Mother Lodge, where you were presented with a gavel.

It has been a pleasure M.W. Sir to act as your Deputy, and I would like to express my thanks for the kind assistance rendered by all officials of Grand Lodge and those Brethren from Cavell Lodge, who faithfully accompanied me on all my travels.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

A. G. WARREN,
D.D.G.M. District No. 15.

16th MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit to you a brief report of my activities during the term of my office as D.D.G.M. of District No. 16 for the year 1950-51.

I am deeply grateful to the brethren for my election to the office of District Deputy Master of District No. 16. I have endeavored, during my term of office, to discharge my duties impartially, and to the best of my ability. I trust, Most Worshipful Sir, that my year's work will merit your approval.

My observations have led me to believe that Masonry is making for itself a definite place in the minds and hearts of the brethren, and a greater realization of the true worth of the tenets and principles we are striving to inculcate is in evidence throughout the District. A keener conception of all that Masonry stands for has resulted in raising the standards of the brethren, and through each officer and member of the lodge as a whole. It is with pleasure that I report that the Masonic spirit in all lodges is at a high level.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held at Standard on October 4th, 1950, with officers and members present from each lodge in the District. The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, was accompanied by the

Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore, and the Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson. The following papers were presented — "Lodge Ritual and the New Mason" by R. Wor. Bro. Norman P. Bragg, and "Some Changing Aspects of Masonry" by Bro. Norman Watson. Also, an address, "Can a Mason be a Christian" presented by Bro. Rev. A. G. S. Edworthy. Satisfactory reports were submitted by all lodges in the District. Many problems were discussed and explained by the Grand Secretary and Junior Grand Warden. A very able address was delivered by the Grand Master, and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. W. Bro. W. H. Anderson of Drumheller Lodge, No. 146, was elected D.D.G.M. for 1951-52, and Drumheller was selected as the place of holding the next District Meeting.

VISITATIONS

During my term of office I have officially visited each lodge in the District at least once. I wish to thank the brethren of the District at least once. I wish to thank the brethren of the District for the friendly welcome accorded me on each visit. Following are the dates of my Official Visits:

Standard Lodge, No. 152, June 19th, 1950.

Symbol Lodge, No. 93, September 28th, 1950.

Drumheller Lodge No. 146 October 17th, 1950.

Rockyford Lodge, No. 123, December 7th, 1950.

Hussar Lodge, No. 130, December 11th, 1950.

Carbon Lodge, No. 107, December 19th, 1950.

I found the lodges to be in a good financial position, the work being efficiently done, and a splendid spirit of harmony prevailing. I would especially mention the excellent manner in which the work of the Secretary of each lodge is being carried out, and District No. 16 is fortunate in having very capable Officers.

PRESENTATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES AT ROCKYFORD

On the evening of December 7th, 1950, three Charter Members of Rockyford Lodge No. 123, were presented with Life Membership Certificates. Those receiving the Certificates were V. Wro. Bro. Wm. McMillan, W. Bro. Carl A. Browns and W. Bro. R. S. Frayne. The presentation was made by W. Bro. Sherman Browns, W. Bro. Stanley Frayne and Bro. Alex McMillan, sons of the Life Members.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I wish to again express my sincere appreciation to the brethren for their splendid support and co-operation during my term of office. I especially wish to thank R. Wor. Bro. Norman P. Bragg for his efficient work as my District Secretary, and for the many courtesies he has seen fit to extend to me in the performance of duties. And also, I thank the Members of Standard Lodge who accompanied me on all of my visits.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

F. D. KNOWLTON,
D.D.G.M. District No. 16.

17th MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and approval my report as your District Deputy of District No. 17 for the year 1950-51.

The 23rd annual District Meeting was held in Holden on Friday evening, October 20th, 1950. It commenced with an excellent banquet served in the basement of the United Church by the Ladies Aid. At the banquet W. Bro. Murray of Palestine No. 46 proposed the toast to the Grand Lodge and its officers. R.W. Bro. Jackson the J.G.W. replied most fittingly to the toast.

The brethren then adjourned to the Lodge Hall where Lodge was opened at 7:45 p.m. by W. Bro. Donnan. The D.D.G.M. was then received and opened the District Meeting. The Grand Master was then introduced and received in proper form. He was accompanied by R.W. Bro. Empey the D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Jackson the G.J.W., and R.W. Jack Booth P.D.D.G.M. and Most Worshipful Brother Moore, Grand Secretary.

The minutes of the previous District Meeting were read and confirmed. The reports of the various Lodges were then given. Buffalo Park No. 44, Albion No. 97 and Gratton No. 144 were not represented due to the impassable condition of the roads. During the recess the Masters and Wardens conferred with the Grand Master and his officers.

Following the recess, members of Palestine No. 46, Connaught No. 69 and Dynamic No. 96 exemplified various parts of the work.

The chief subject of discussion was the Blackstock report on the Benevolent Fund. The discussion grew very lively at times and was most interesting to the brethren. The Grand Secretary closed the discussion by explaining many points which were not clear to the brethren.

At 10:40 p.m. W. Bro. Webb of Palestine No. 46 was declared elected as D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year, subject to the approval of the Grand Master. The next District Meeting will be held at Tofield.

R.W. Bro. Empey D.G.M. gave a short talk on "Our Way of Life". It was much enjoyed.

At 11:50 the M.W. the Grand Master gave his address. The subject was Masonic Friendship and Truth. His speech was much appreciated by all the brethren and the impression left was that the Grand Master exemplified in his own life Masonic Friendship to the highest degree.

The District Meeting was closed at 11:25 p.m. A buffet supper was then served. After the supper the brethren gathered in groups

and discussed subjects of interest to them. They did not disperse until nearly 1 a.m. Thus ended a most stimulating District Meeting.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Buffalo Park No. 44 was visited on November 9th, 1950. A carload of brethren from Dynamic Lodge accompanied me. During my visit a candidate was initiated. There was a large attendance at the meeting and I was impressed by the large number of young members present who are very interested in Masonry. Buffalo Park is one of the most active Lodges in the District, with much degree work during the year. It owns a large Lodge Hall which is needed because of the number of members attending. It was pointed out that a yearly audit of the Lodge books must be made. The officers are very keen and capable.

My visit to **Palestine No. 46** was made on November 21st, 1950. A candidate was initiated at that meeting. The books and records are in excellent shape with the Historical Register up to date. Palestine is also very active in degree work. The officers are young and most interested.

I paid my official visit to **Connaught No. 69** on April 10th, 1951. During my visit a candidate was initiated. Their officers are very capable in degree work. Their books are in good condition and audited with the Historical Register up to date. Connaught meets in a beautiful hall which is used by other organizations. I was impressed by the large number of older Masons who make it a habit to attend every Meeting.

Dynamic No. 96 being my own Lodge, I have attended every meeting during the year. My official visit was paid on March 7th, 1951. At that meeting a brother was passed to the second degree. The officers are doing good work and are very capable. Dynamic membership is increasing. The Lodge owns its own building. The books are in excellent condition with the exception of the Historical Register which is several years behind.

My official visit to **Albion No. 97** was made on December 7th, 1950. There was to have been a degree conferred but unfortunately the candidate was ill. I had the pleasure of assisting in the election of officers. Albion meets in a beautiful hall which they own. They too, are enjoying an increase in membership. Several suggestions were made by which the books and records could be improved. A profitable half hour was spent in explaining and exemplifying various parts of the Work. Financially Albion is in an excellent position. The officers are capable and very interested in Masonry.

Edgerton No. 102 was visited on December 5th, 1950. The Lodge had a first degree during the visit and it was very well done. They own their own hall, which was filled to capacity for my visit. The books are well kept and up to date but they had not been audited. The Worshipful Master promised that this would be done. Edgerton is very active in degree work and its officers are to be commended for their interest and efficiency. Their finances are sound and ample insurance is carried.

I visited Gratton No. 144 on November 16th, 1950. Gratton's financial condition is strong but unfortunately few candidates are presenting themselves. The books are in excellent condition with the Historical Register written up to 1947. The interest of the brethren in Masonry is strong. The Worshipful Master read a paper entitled "The Origin and Antiquity of Masonry". It was very informative. I was very pleased to note that there were four P.D.D.G.M.'s. at this meeting.

At each visit I made several suggestions to the brethren on the subject of secrecy and urged that all Masonic matters be kept strictly secret. The subject of my address was "Why we are proud to be Masons". It was discussed under the headings of (1) What Masonry has done in the past. (2) What Masonry is doing in the present. (3) What Masonry can do in the future.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the brethren of District No. 17 for the honor given me in electing me as D.D.G.M. and for the hospitality and friendship which I have enjoyed during my year of office. The Masonic fellowship which exists in District No. 17 is a joy to all the brethren and I trust it will ever continue as such.

My thanks are extended to W. Bro. Soley, my District Secretary who has done so much to help me during the year.

It has been a rare honor and privilege indeed to serve as the representative of our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Bond.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

D. H. ALLAN,
D.D.G.M. District No. 17.

18th MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

It is my honor and privilege to submit for your consideration and approval, my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the 18th Masonic District for the year 1950-51.

DISTRICT MEETING

The annual District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, 12th Ave. W., Calgary, on September 20th, 1950. Starting with a banquet in the Dining Room at 6:30 p.m. with Wor. Bro. K. Mitchell, Zetland No. 83, acting as toastmaster, Wor. Bro. H. Bentley, Crescent No. 87, proposing the toast to M. Wor. the Grand Master and His Officers, which was very ably responded to by the M. Wor. the Grand Master, M. Wor. Bro. LeRoy W. Bond. The Brethren proceeded to the Lodge Room where the District Meeting was called to order by Wor. Bro. S. Knight and officers of my Mother Lodge, Concord No. 124. The D.D.G.M. was received in due form and on assuming the gavel thanked the brethren for their warm welcome and expressed his

appreciation for the honor bestowed on him. The District Meeting was then opened in the prescribed form. The M. Wor. the Grand Master, M. Wor. Bro. Bond, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, M. Wor. Bro. G. Moore and many other Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and received with Grand Honors. On assuming the gavel, the M. Wor. the Grand Master in a few well chosen words, thanked the brethren for their expression of loyalty to Grand Lodge and the enthusiastic welcome extended to him and his officers, returned the gavel to the D.D.G.M. requesting him to proceed with the business of the evening. After a period of silence honoring our departed brethren, the minutes of the last annual District Meeting were read and approved. The Wor. Masters of District 18 were then called on to give a short report of their respective lodges; these reports showed all lodges to be in a strong and healthy condition.

After a few favorable comments by the D.D.G.M. the M. Wor. the Grand Master congratulated the Wor. Masters on their reports, expressing his appreciation of the condition of Freemasonry existing at the present time.

R. Wor. Bro. H. Mumby P.D.D.G.M. District No. 18 then gave a report of his year of office, which was well received by the Brethren.

The election of the D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year was then proceeded with; the District Secretary read two duly signed nominations, namely W. Bro. C. H. Westmore, Calgary 23 and W. Bro. P. Slater, Strathmore 53. After hearing the report of the Committee on Credentials given by the chairman, W. Bro. G. Tremeer, Concord 124, the ballot was taken. W. Bro. P. Slater having a majority vote was declared D.D.G.M. elect for 1951-52, subject to the approval of the M. Wor. the Grand Master

An invitation was then extended by Strathmore Lodge No. 53 to hold the 1951 District Meeting at Strathmore, which was duly accepted by the Brethren.

A discussion then took place regarding the District presenting the outgoing District Deputy with the regalia of a P.D.D.G.M. It was finally decided by the lodges in District 18 that the regalia be bought and paid for by all the lodges of the District on a pro rata basis; giving authority to the D.D.G.M. to order the regalia for the outgoing District Deputy.

The M. Wor. the Grand Master then addressed the Brethren. Their thanks and appreciation was fully expressed by their applause at the conclusion of the address. The Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 p.m. bringing to a close a most happy and successful meeting of District No. 18. Total attendance 118.

VISITATIONS

I have paid Official Visits to every lodge in the district at least once and to many of the lodges several times unofficially. All are in a strong and healthy condition, many of them making improvements to their lodge rooms, adding to the comfort of the Brethren. The very efficient manner in which the business is conducted as well as the

dignity with which the degrees are conferred by the Wor. Masters and their Officers cannot help but ensure a bright future for their respective lodges. Many of the Masters are giving the younger members an opportunity to assist in the work whenever possible; in delivering charges and making presentations, for which I have commended them for so doing. I also find that a keen interest is being taken in Masonic educational work, with some meetings arranged with no degree work, the evening being devoted to the younger members giving papers on Freemasonry, followed by a general discussion which is proving most beneficial.

All lodges subscribe to the Bulletin and every effort is being made by the Masters to encourage the reading and discussion of them. Lodge records are neatly and accurately kept. In all lodges the Historical Registers are well kept and up to date; a special word of praise going to W. Bro. Laut of Crossfield Lodge No. 48 for the exceptional manner in which he has recorded the historical events of that Lodge.

There was an increase of 62 members for the eight lodges in the district during the year ending Dec. 31st, 1950.

SPECIAL EVENTS

During the year each lodge features special nights, such as Family and Ladies Nights, as well as Canadian, English, Irish and Burns Nights. I have had the pleasure of attending most of these special events and have derived a great deal of pleasure from them. It was my pleasure to be present at the installation ceremonies of six of the lodges in my district and on these occasions was honored by being asked to respond to the toast to the M. Wor. the Grand Master and his Officers. It was my privilege and pleasure to be present at the Inter-Provincial Meeting and the Banff Conference, both of which were most interesting and instructive. The annual wild game dinner of Strathmore Lodge was held in November. This was also my official visit to this lodge; I was accompanied by the Wor. Master, Officers and members of my Mother Lodge on their fraternal visit, as well as a goodly number of brethren from the city lodges. This meeting was honored by the presence of M. Wor. Bro. Bond, M. Wor. Bro. Moore, R. Wor. Bro. Jackson and many past G.L. Officers. This is one of the yearly highlights of Strathmore Lodge and the Brethren are to be commended for their efforts in arranging such an outstanding meeting year after year. This lodge holds a unique record in having as members, Wor. Bro. Harvey Hansen and his six sons. W. Bro. Harvey Hansen served as Wor. Master for the year 1927 and his son Verne being the Wor. Master this year.

On Nov. 14th, I visited **Crossfield Lodge 48** accompanied by M. Wor. Bro. H. B. Macdonald P.G.M. and many Masters and Brethren of the city lodges. On this occasion M. Wor. Bro. Macdonald presented R.W. Bro. Mumby with the regalia of a P.D.D.G.M.

The Brethren of Lethbridge Lodge No. 39 paid a Fraternal Visit to my Mother Lodge Concord 124 on April 21st with a splendid attendance. The Wor. Master with his Officers occupied the chairs and

conferred the M.M. Degree on two candidates in a very efficient and dignified manner, after which a very pleasant hour was spent in the banquet room. They were accompanied by R.W. Bro. Engle, D.D.G.M. of District No. 7; a member of Lethbridge 39 who was raised in Concord Lodge fifteen years ago. It was most fitting that his Mother Lodge should receive him with Grand Honors.

On Jan. 28th a joint church parade for Districts 1 and 18 was held in Central United Church, Calgary; about 400 brethren availing themselves of the privilege of attending this service.

It was my privilege on Nov. 20th to attend the first of several meetings held to discuss the possibility of forming a new lodge in this district. In due time a dispensation was granted by the M. Wor. the Grand Master, the lodge to be called "Canada Lodge" and naming W. Bro. T. Donald to be the first W. Master, Bro. H. Fawcett the first S. Warden and Bro. E. Logan the first J. Warden. On March 14th by request of the M. Wor. the Grand Master I had the honor and privilege of instituting the Lodge. I was assisted in the ceremony by the District Secretary, W. Bro. Pillidge Calgary 23. R.W. Bro. Rosling D.D.G.M. District No. 1, and all the Masters of the city lodges, who filled the respective offices for the opening of the Lodge. The Wor. Master, officers and Brethren of Canada Lodge received the blessings and best wishes of the M. Wor. the Grand Master, the D.D.G.M's. of Districts 1 and 18, R.W. Bro. Howard G.S.W. and all visiting Wor. Masters. The Brethren were then invited to the banquet room where a tasty lunch was served, R.W. Bro. Howard responding to the toast to the M. Wor. the Grand Master and his Officers. M. Wor. Bro. Bond gave a most inspiring address to the Brethren, bring to a close a most eventful and happy occasion.

CONCLUSION

To you M. Wor. Sir, I wish to say that it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your District Deputy. I have enjoyed very much the privilege of being able to accompany you on many of your official visits. It is with much pleasure that I can record the splendid feeling of good-will and friendship among the Brethren as evidenced by the number of fraternal visits not only among the lodges of Districts 1 and 18 but to lodges in surrounding districts. My sincere thanks to M. Wor. Bro. Moore Grand Secretary, whose timely advice was most welcome and greatly appreciated by me.

To the Wor. Master, officers and members of Concord Lodge for their kindly assistance and co-operation at all times and to the Wor. Masters and many Brethren of the city lodges who accompanied me on my official visits, my sincere thanks.

To W. Bro. Tremere and all the Brethren who so ably assisted at the District Meeting, to all of the Wor. Masters and Brethren of District No. 18 for the many courtesies extended to me and the District Secretary; to my most efficient District Secretary Wor. Bro. "Wally" Pillidge who accompanied me on all my visits and without whose able assistance my work would have been most difficult, to you all I say THANK YOU.

To my successor, Wor. Bro. P. Slater, I can assure him that there will be many pleasant experiences awaiting him during his term of office. I wish to extend to him my best wishes for a successful year and the same friendly co-operation which I have enjoyed from the Wor. Masters, Officers and Brethren of this District.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

H. A. MAILLERY,
D.D.G.M. District No. 18.

MASONIC DISTRICT, YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

My official visit to Yellowknife Lodge No. 162 took place on February 6th, 1950. There were present 25 members, including three Past Masters. The smaller attendance was due to the fact that the Annual District Bonspiel opened that day and, as many of the brethren were enthusiastic curlers, some perforce had to partake of the Roaring Game and miss lodge.

A Second Degree was conferred at this meeting. The membership at the time of my visit stood at 75 of which 25 were non-resident, a net increase of three during the year. The Lodge is extremely healthy and under the direction of competent and enthusiastic officers.

During the year, the Tyler, Bro. Hans Olsen, died and the loss was felt very keenly as Bro. Olsen was a faithful member and the friend of every brother in a true sense.

The transfer of personnel, which naturally effects the staff of gold mines, has resulted in a relatively large out-of-town membership but this condition was anticipated when the lodge was founded and the membership turnover has not affected the lodge to too great an extent.

CHARLES E. GARNETT,
Grand Master's Special Representative, N.W.T.

The Grand Master: "It will be a great privilege and pleasure at this time to have a few words from some of our guests. I would like to include two at this time, our guest from the Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba, M.W. Bro. Harry Donnelly, I will call on him first. I would like to do that because I would like to hear from my Mother Grand Lodge, from one of the finest Grand Master's, one who I would like to give the opportunity now to bring us his wonderful message. I give you M.W. Bro. Donnelly:"

Address by Most Worshipful Bro. Donnelly, Past Grand Master, of Manitoba

"M.W. Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Alberta: It is my privilege to bring to you good wishes and greetings from M.W. Charles Cole, Officers and Members of your

Mother Grand Lodge, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, at the same time to express our Grand Lodge's regret that M.W. Charles Cole could not be with you on this occasion. There is something else I want to say to you brethren. I want to let you know there is in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba a deep feeling of gratitude for your ready sympathy and practical help to us when we faced our trial of flood last year. May I just give you an example of what that meant. My own lodge situated in St. Vital, a suburb of Winnipeg, had an excellent little Lodge building, of which we are very proud. The downstairs auditorium and wall was completely destroyed and the heating plant was impaired. Upstairs was used by those carrying on the flood fighting operations. Through the generosity of your Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges in Canada and the United States that lodge of ours has been completely restored and renovated without any burden to our members. That is the sort of thing for which we are grateful and that is an expression of your Masonic Brotherhood.

"Brethren, when I meet and see such a gathering as this a gathering of Freemasons who have come here with one thought in mind to further the interest of the Craft — these men with good character men with high ideals -- I feel that in such a place as this there are tremendous reserves of moral force. Here gathered together is a power which could be wielded for good throughout this whole province and dominion. And where does that moral force and power come from? Some of you have stood by Niagara Falls and felt the thunderous force of that fall and watched the irresistible surge of the mighty waters and you have asked yourself whence comes that great power? Back of the falls is the lake; feeding that lake are the rivers -- extending far back into the country, divided off into streams and rivulets. Draining the vast areas are those little streams merging together in rivers filling up that lake which emerges at last in that tremendous outburst of power over the falls.

Whence, then, comes the power of Grand Lodge? It comes from the lodges, it comes from the communities in which you live, it comes from men in the homes on city streets, big homes and little homes. It comes from the homes of men in little towns and from farm homes throughout the whole country, each of them pouring into the Craft his own contribution. Brethren, there is our job. Each last one of us -- you and me -- pouring into this Grand Lodge -- our own Grand Lodge -- into the great force of Freemasonry -- our individual contribution which in the end will make Masonry a grand influence in our land.

"Most Worshipful Sir, I wish to thank you for your hospitality; for the generous kindness shown me personally. I wish you well in this Grand Lodge communication. I extend my congratulations to M.W. Bro. Empey and pray for him not merely for success but for the strength to carry on the great work to which he has been called. Thank you."

The Grand Master: "M.W. Brother Donnelly: I thank you for those kind words from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. It means much to have you with us and bring us this message of encouragement and

the great lesson of the power of Freemasonry. We thank you for that inspiration.

Brethren I would like to extend to you the privilege of hearing from a very distinguished Mason and very beloved friend, M.W. Bro. Gail Huhn of the Grand Lodge of Washington. His Grand Communication begins next week and it will not be very long before he finds a seat on the plane that will take him home. We now have the privilege of hearing from him — The Grand Master of Masons in the State of Washington."

The Grand Master: "Brethren: has everyone cast their ballot. If so it is my duty now to declare the ballot closed. I appoint M.W. Bro. Ireland to take charge.

Address by Most Worshipful Bro. Gail Huhn, Grand Master, State Of Washington

"M.W. Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge: "I have heard a great deal this morning about the wonders of Calgary. It reminds me of an experience that M.W. Bro. Bond had a few months ago in the city of Seattle. He was going to call me long distance, person to person call, and he asked the long distance operator what the charge was and she said 35c to call from Seattle to Bremerton and with that Bond said why down in Calgary we can talk to hell and again for a nickle and she replied in her sweetest voice, yes, but in Calgary that is a local call. I really expected the Brethren from Edmonton to applaud on that. You know, I think, there is a great deal to the Chinese proverb "The man can only absorb that which the seat can endure." I know that you are going to have a very wonderful address this evening from the M.W. Bro. Dr. H. Poteat, Past Grand Master of South Carolina. It reminds me of the brother some 15 to 20 years ago who was the Potentate of the Shrine. He was a tall gentleman with a drawl. He said "Hi you nobles, how are you?" "One year ago you elected me your Imperial Potentate and I started to tramp and went all over North America but they did not fool me none. I was met by the governors of the states and lieutenant governors of the Provinces. They weren't fooling me none. I was given the keys to the City but they weren't fooling me none. As I travelled all over North America ceremonials were held in my honour. When I came here there were five or six bands to meet me and we had a big parade but they were not fooling me. When I arrived at the hotel I was escorted in with pomp and ceremony but you know they were not fooling me none. Tomorrow you are going to elect a new Imperial Potentate and I don't know what I am going to do. I am just going to have a heck of a time to find a bell boy to carry my grips out. They ain't fooling me none."

"Next week the Washington District is going to elect a new Grand Master. It is very much the same as the Grand Jurisdiction of Alberta. We are a very democratic organization down there. We have brethren very law abiding and all that. We had a brother that went hunting and he was driving up the road and he noted a deer

crossing the road ahead of him. He stopped his car, had his rifle ready and loaded — contrary to the law — and got out and aimed and fired and hot-footed it to where the deer fell and much to his amazement it was a doe and that was contrary to the law. He then noticed an automobile coming down the road and park right behind his car, and out came the Game Warden. Well, he was flabbergasted. As the Game Warden approached he noticed a square and compass in the lapel of his coat. In desperation the Brother said "What shall we do with the body?" And the Game Warden said "Let us bury it in the rubbish of the Temple and save our time."

"Brethren, there is a lot I would like to say to you in a serious vein, and I would like to supplement what the M.W. Brother from Manitoba has stated. Each and every one of us as Freemasons has a responsibility. A responsibility to discharge outside the tyled recesses of the lodge. We have a responsibility brethren, to the candidates to see that when they are raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason that those responsibilities are indelibly impressed on their mind and have a full appreciation of the part they are expected to play as a Freemason. What is it? Being a member of the Masonic Fraternity is coming to a greater appreciation of God. Do you take a greater interest in your Church? Do you participate in the civic affairs of your community, your city, your province and Dominion? Do you discharge the responsibility of citizenship? Do you take an active interest in youth organizations? In the business world do you practice your Freemasonry before the deal is consummated? And, brethren, if you do not do those things and if I do not do those things then we are not discharging our responsibilities as Freemasons. That is the heritage that has been handed to us. It is our obligation to discharge our responsibilities of today for the benefit of tomorrow. Freemasons must set the example that others might follow. Remember in our Degree work and getting Masonry into practice is our most important responsibility.

"On behalf of the 63,500 Freemasons of Washington and Alaska I bring you fraternal greetings. May this bond continue to grow throughout the years. May I inject a personal note. I had the privilege of meeting your Grand Master at the 100th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge in California. He has been a splendid ambassador of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. I want to thank you very, very much for the wonderful hospitality accorded to me and the very happy privilege which is mine to meet each and every one of you."

HONORARY RANK

M.W. Brother Sam Harris: "We have with us today, Brethren, several distinguished visitors and it is always happy, indeed, to welcome them. We like to meet them for the first time and like them to come back time and again, and we like to show we appreciate our visitors attendance with us and in this connection I would like to move, M.W. Grand Master, that the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of Alberta be conferred on the following:"

M.W. Bro. Harry Donnelly, P.G.M., Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. Charles E Cole, Grand Master, Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. Hedley Auld, Grand Master, Saskatchewan.
M.W. Bro. J. H. Morgan, Grand Master, British Columbia.
M.W. Bro. Cail Huhn, Grand Master, Washington.
M.W. Bro. H. W. Poteat, P.G.M., North Carolina.
M.W. Bro. S.G. Davis, Grand Master, Idaho.
M.W. Bro. Percy Doles, Grand Master, Montana.

And on the following:

R.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett, North Dakota, Honorary Deputy Grand Master.

V.W. Bro. Frank D. Van de Mark, Montana, Honorary Grand Deacon.

This was seconded by M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald and carried with great applause.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment at 4:15 p.m.

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

A Banquet was held in the Palliser Hotel with some five-hundred members in attendance, where a most enjoyable meal was served.

Following the Banquet the Brethren were entertained by the Excelsior Glee Club with several numbers and Brother W. Day rendered several solos. This part of the entertainment was of a very high order and was exceedingly well received by the Brethren who greeted the artists with very hearty applause. Brother Harry Rimmer presided at the organ in his usual highly pleasing manner.

This was followed by a Toast to the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the retiring Grand Master. M.W. Brother LeRoy W. Bond replied as follows:

The Grand Master: "My beloved Past Masters, my distinguished guests, Brethren all. The Toast to the Grand Master and his Officers. Brethren, if we have done anything in this year of service which has made you a little happier and helped you with any of your problems for Masonic advancement we are thankful. I would like to say a few words taken from this paper -- a very few. What a privilege, what an honor, what a joy, to have served you for such a short while as your Grand Master. What an honor and a joy you conferred on my Lodge, Irricana No. 137 and my District No. 15. I would love to have members of my Lodge rise. With humility and great sincerity may I thank you for this greatest of all Masonic honors. To have had the pleasure of being your Grand Master, to have worked for you in this labor of love, may these long be cherished. I thank God for this great honor which he has bestowed upon me. If I have brought any enjoyment, any enlightenment or assistance or made the burden any easier in this jurisdiction my prayers have been answered. I pray I have never hurt the feelings of anyone. I offer the balance of my life in the continued service to Freemasonry, and my fellow men and to Him who is father of us all. If there is anything I can do to make another life easier than my own will be happier too. The only regret

I have in my association with my Grand Lodge Officers is that some of them were a little frightened of my Grand Junior Deacon and his beautiful little airplane. To my Grand Junior Deacon for his courtesy to me to fly me into the many corners of this Jurisdiction I like to present this little token of the Flying Grand Master. So that there will be no mistake in the archives of my Grand Secretary I will now present this little picture which he can hide away behind the desk so that there will be proof there was a flying grand master.

(At this point the Grand Master presented a tie to M.W. Bro. Sam Harris with a picture on it depicting a horse and in explanation of this the Grand Master said:)

I have one more little duty. When I visited Peace River of all the Grand Masters, Sam Harris did not like my Hereford tie. I was going to bring along some of those beautiful Hereford ties with that great bull that cost \$65,000 depicted on it — I like that tie. They have and you all have my love and I wish I had a gift to express that love to each and every one of you that has done so much for your Grand Lodge Officers to make this year the happiest year of my life. May the Masters and Officers of every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction continue in that great work. Men of character, and vision and great enough to give the leadership to this world it is so badly in need of are required. Let us be about our task. No, in the words of General MacArthur: "Old Grand Masters never die, they just fade away."

Grand Junior Warden: "I am sure the brethren tonight appreciate very much your kind thoughts. It is going to be a long, long time before you fade away. We know the Hereford people do not want you to fade away for a long, long time. I am sure you have had a very successful year and I hope you have enjoyed it. I must say that I doubt whether we have ever had a Grand Master with a more loveable personality."

M.W. Bro. F. Ellis proposes a toast to Our distinguished Guests
M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis: "Bro. Toast Master, M.W. Grand Master, distinguished visitors and Brethren: I am rather happy in a way that I am following such a wonderful musical treat because you have probably been inspired enough to last until I get through. I have put my watch away. However, this is a most important toast and I only hope that I can do justice to the grand galaxy of distinguished guests we have here tonight. Our Grand Master is to be complimented on what he calls the Swan Song because he was rather liberal with his presents and I wondered whether he had a few more in the bag to distribute to his distinguished guests. I do not have a clue as to where to start and consequently I do not have a clue as to where I will finish. I thought I would go for the introduction to the Grand Master's address because it was full of a naturalist's poetry if you will allow me that expression, in as much as he fell right into the pit and he introduced his naturalist talk with a white faced Hereford. I thought tonight we could have got a calf up here to present

to the main speaker. He tells me the calf crop has been poor this year and most of them have been just some bull calves and very few heifers.

'In all governments in the United States and Canada for security reasons there are pertinent questions put up to applicants for the Civil Service and I was told the last time I was in Spokane about a man who applied for the Civil Service in the State of Idaho and he went into the room where the interrogator was and he sat down, and the interrogator popped out this question to him. Have you ever been a member of any society that advocated the overthrow of the government? Finally he said "Yes, I have." With a stoney look in his eye the interrogator said "What party or Society?" and the applicant said "The Republican Party." We do not have to ask our guests for any questions about their affiliation. They come to us with their affiliations in their face and best of all they have it where it counts — in their heart. We are glad that we have such a wonderful retinue of distinguished guests from both sides of the line and I trust that they will get inspiration from meeting with us and we shall gain in Masonic stature from mixing with them. It has been a great pleasure to me to have met most of them and in this way we make greater Masonic friends than ever before because those chaps south of the line are easy to get to know. I ask you brethren in the fullness of your Masonic virility to rise with me and charge your glasses and drink heartily to those brethren who have come to us. (A reply to this toast was made by M.W. Bro. Jack Morgan, Grand Master of British Columbia):

M.W. Bro. Morgan: R.W. Bro. Toastmaster, M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Ellis, Distinguished Guests, Brethren: "It so happens that there are two sections or that your guest list is divided into two sections this evening, one of the Canadian classification and the other classification of the United States of America. I, my Brethren, come from British Columbia, that promised land which lies to the west of these Rocky Mountains of ours. Although a British Columbian I am going to speak two or three minutes as a Canadian and embrace all the visitors who are here this evening representing various provinces of our great new nation, this Dominion of Canada of ours — this nation of the twentieth century. Brethren, I have known the M.W. Bro. George Ellis for many years, but I have learned something this evening — that is, I did not know he possessed or that he was in possession of so many words of a superlative nature with which to propose or advance this toast from you to your visitors. We came here to meet with the men of Alberta, the leaders of this great and honorable institution of ours — the leaders of Freemasonry in this great province of Alberta. We cannot, at least I find it very difficult to gather together the proper words, words sufficiently expressing to tell you, my Brethren, of the wonderful time, the wonderful hospitality, that you have extended to your visitors on this momentous occasion. You have feted us, you have banqueted us, you have given us the warm hand of fellowship and above all you have enabled us to make many, many new friends. I have learned something new too.

They say that there is always something new under the sun. I have never heard of a flying Grand Master before. Speaking from personal experience my Grand Masters have never been able to operate on two wings — they usually have one wing and then they have a prayer. But this M.W. Grand Master of yours, he is something just out of this world. I met up with him a number of months ago away down in the city of San Francisco. I thought I was a particularly energetic individual, I did not think I was tiresome at all but to keep up with this Grand Master of Alberta was an impossibility. I would like to be able to tell you of some of the carryings-on of your Grand Master in that city. He gave you a beautiful address this morning in which he offers you a picture about his wanderings around the country but he does not tell you of the peculiar happenings in those wanderings. Sometime, if you have the time, and wish to meet me in the rotunda of the Hotel I will be glad to take you into my confidence and tell you some secrets. Now we are deeply appreciative of all the things you have done for us. We are deeply appreciative of the very warm hand of fellowship extended to us. We as leaders of Freemasonry are also deeply appreciative of the fact we have been able to ascertain here in Alberta there are outstanding Freemasons, men who are working and living and making Freemasonry an operative institution. May you ever continue my Brethren to provide a living demonstration of the great precepts you have learned so well in your craft lodges. May your courage and optimism shine as a glorious rainbow of hope bringing happiness not only to yourself but to all around you. I am not going to say good bye because I am going to come back again to this Grand Lodge of Alberta. I am hoping too to come back and meet again some of the friends I met here this evening. So au-revoir and on behalf of my Canadian friends of the Canadian Grand Lodges assembled here with me I want to say thanks for everything."

Junior Grand Warden: "I am glad to know you are going to come back. You are a member of this Grand Lodge and you should come back on every second Wednesday in June."

R.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett: "R.W. Bro. Toastmaster, M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Ellis, distinguished guests and Brethren: A few minutes ago I was asked to make an extemporaneous response and I find myself much in the position of the fellow down in southern Montana who, with a team of horses and empty wagon, was stuck in the mud and could not get out and somebody came along and said "how come"? And the fellow explained: "this is the first time I ever got stuck with nothing to unload." Somebody asked me one time where I was born and I said out in the country. And they said "how come" and I explained to them, well you see before the time I was to arrive my father was a little bit concerned so they moved from the village into the country where there was rural free delivery."

"Brethren, in behalf of the guests here tonight from below the Border I express to you our joy at the friendship and the fellowship and brotherly love that has been so beautifully exemplified by the Masons from this Grand Jurisdiction of Alberta. We have enjoyed

the finest of preparations for our convenience and entertainment and they have been meticulously arranged. To be here is an honor. It is also privilege and a pleasure and we hope and pray that God will bless you in all your deliberations and guide you onward and forward to a greater and better tomorrow. I thank you."

Junior Grand Warden: "We are glad you were able to come and trust you will come back again in future years. We are now coming to perhaps the most important part of the programme. I am going to ask R.W. Bro. Harry Howard to introduce our guest speaker."

R.W. Bro. Howard: R.W. Bro. Toastmaster and distinguished Brethren, it is a great delight to me to have the privilege of introducing our distinguished guest. It has been my privilege to have associated with him for the past little over a week and also to have become acquainted with him some years ago. To say that he is a very delightful person is putting it in a very small way. He and his good wife are charming people. I should say something about his history. He is a man of many parts. He is a college professor and a graduate with Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Arts Degrees, author, musician — I understand he was for forty years director and choir master back in Great Falls. To hear his voice is delightful. We have heard him sing. I should say he is a member of the faculty of that great college in North Carolina. It is a well known college. It has a student membership of possibly 15,000. He has two sons and both are Masons and members of the Shrine. One is a doctor — a surgeon — a clever surgeon and the other is a lawyer. He is devoted to his church, as I said before as a director and choir master for forty years. As to his accomplishments my information is he has given many recitals on the organ and composed a march for the members of his Temple. I think it was called the Sudan March. He has been a Mason for forty three years and was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina during 1923-24 which is some time ago and I understand he has not missed a Grand Lodge Communication since that time. So we have a man of many parts. Delightful personality, one of those keen Masons who never gives up his energies and tries to be a useful citizen. In all his walks of life — in any history I have seen of him — he has always tried to be a useful Mason and that to my mind is one of the highlights of his many parts. I wish to introduce Dr. Hubert McNeill Poteat, Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North American, and Past Grand Master of North Carolina."

Address by M.W. Bro. Poteat, P.G.M., North Carolina

M.W. Bro. Poteat: "R.W. Bro. Toastmaster, M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Grand Master, visiting Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers and Worshipful Brethren: I sincerely appreciate those gracious words with which R.W. Bro. Howard has presented me and I am deeply grateful for the invitation which makes it possible for me to address you. I regret I was unable to attend your Grand Lodge today; I was busy trying to catch up with correspondence. I have been away from home for two months. I should have loved to attend your Grand Lodge for I have attended my own continuously since 1913. That is a long

time. I should like to say at this moment, my Brethren, that I appreciate more than I can ever tell you the compliment you have paid to me today and the Grand Lodge of North Carolina by electing me a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. It would be impossible for me to adequately express my gratitude. I shall inform my Grand Master of it at once. I know he will appreciate the honor just as deeply and sincerely as I do. I have been trying to tell Shriners all over North America — this is the 117th city I have visited — that the fact that they wear a little red fez on their head does not excuse them from their duties to the Mother Lodge. The additional light they receive from the Shrine should make them more alert in the old Mother Lodge. I bring you, Most Worshipful Sir, the greetings of 50,000 Masons in my state of Carolina. I rejoice in a joint Canadian-American meeting of this kind. It means all kinds of fine things for the countries themselves — for the solidarity of the English speaking world. This is not a tyled meeting, of course, but these quotations that I am about to try to give you from the Ritual are printed and therefore are not Masonic secrets. (The speaker gave definitions of Operative and Speculative Masonry).

"The history of Freemasonry on both its Operative and Speculative side has interested me for many years. Among the early societies on the face of the earth were groups of operative builders. Do not misunderstand me — I am not suggesting there is any connection between modern Freemasonry and these ancient societies except symbolically. Ancient Freemasonry occupied a high level in society because they not only built houses but they built temples for gods and so they were looked up to by the ordinary man on the street as being a good many notches above the average. They created five of the seven ancient wonders of the world. Now, they had groups, secret groups, all over the civilized world; they not only had the trade secrets which they would not trade to outsiders but they had certain features of what they would call today Speculative Masonry. For example about 1000 B.C. there was a very interesting society which was very influential and which called itself the Dionysian Architects. Dionysus was not so familiar. He was an ancient god. He was the god who presided over the renewal of life in the spring time after the death of winter. Now why a society of operative builders should choose that particular kind of a god is not known except that possibly they were studying the teachings of some sort of doctrine of immortality. All over the world, in Egypt, in Greece, in Asia Minor you find these secret societies of operative builders. Now they came on down into the Greek days and constructed what architects tell us is still the most beautiful building on the earth — the Parthenon in Athens. The Romans were great builders, building for sturdiness and size and yet attaining a great measure of beauty nevertheless. Now those men in all these ancient countries were going about busily and they were still looked up to with respect in the street place as being many notches above the ordinary folk. About the middle of the 5th century A.D. many of these operative builders gathered on a little island in a little lake — Lake Como in northern Italy — and from there they spread all over Italy. We still have in

our Fellowcraft Degree some remembrance of this in the columns and two pillars of the porchway. Now these men spread all over Europe gradually surviving in their descendants the horrible night of the dark ages which spread over the Continent for almost 1000 years and when the cathedral age began there were our operative brethren at work again. They would build not for gods but for God. When they arrived in the city to begin the construction of the cathedral they were given the freedom of the city and that is where the word "Free" comes from in the title of your Grand Lodge. Also we are perfectly well aware no slave can be made a Mason, whether an actual slave or a political or religious slave. He cannot be a Freemason. So our word "Free" comes from those two sources.

"Now in England in the 14th century there came the Black Death. Thousands of people perished in that horrible plague and our operative brethren suffered. When the scourge had passed those who were left of our operative brethren attempted to improve their conditions and raise their wages but parliament stepped in and passed a series of laws which sought to keep our Masonic brethren down. In order to strengthen their position these operative Masons began to receive into their number men who were not actually operative Masons for the sake of their influence in their respective communities and these men were called "Accepted Masons" and that is where that word comes from, from the title of your Grand Lodge and mine. These men were taken into these groups by these operative Masons in an endeavor to strengthen their position in the public eye and the eyes of parliament.

The Mother Grand Lodge of England was organized in 1717 with four constituent lodges. I am told there are still lodges of operative Masons in England today. On the operative side our history is long — our history is long and honorable and we have every right to be proud of it. Now where does "Ancient" come from? Solomon? Oh no. Solomon was a modern. Solomon came along late in the history of the teaching of trade by the secret means of initiation. We have borrowed it from the operative art. Solomon was modern. My Brethren almost since the beginning of time men -- men who use the brain that God gave them — have refused to debase and compromise their intelligence by accepting the futile and popular religions of their countries. The gods and goddesses were worshipped because the man in the street was afraid of them and afraid not to worship them and so he paid them a sacrifice. He built houses in their honor but in every single country in the ancient world there were a little minority who refused to accept this picturesque but empty popular religion and who sought after one God. The teaching of truth by initiation is as old as the world. Even savages have done it and still do

Now all the worlds greatest teachers have understood very well that what the eye sees makes a much more lasting impression upon the mind than what the ear hears. The Romanic Church is old and wise and it teaches that way too. It has a statue of the Virgin Mary in every Romanic Church on earth. It knows that many of its worshippers will worship only what they see. Now the Greatest Teacher

always taught that way. The Bible is full of allegories. This is an interesting word from the Greek meaning to stand up in the market place. These allegorical terms have been always used for the purpose of teaching spiritual truth just as we continue to use them today in Freemasonry. (The speaker here described the customs of an ancient Egyptian society and continued as follows.)

"We still have in our ritual today a beautiful virgin weeping over a broken column which comes to us from Egyptian history. How it got into the modern ritual no man can tell. What these Egyptians were after too was the doctrine of immortality of which we are still concerned in the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. That is why it is called the Sublime Degree.

Do not be too glib, my Brethren, with your references to Pagans. The word Pagan means one who lives in the country and is the last to hear the new gospel. Socrates was a Pagan but on the day he was condemned to drink hemlock and his sorrowing disciples were sitting around him weeping they asked him where he wanted to be buried and Socrates said "Bury me — you will have to catch me first. When I have drank the hemlock I shall leave you and go to the joys of the blessed." Now, that is why my Brethren we have the right to call ourselves "Ancient" because we are still trying to do today the same thing these great and good men did in the ancient world as early as 4000 B.C. and we are trying to do it in the same way and by the same means — that is emblematically, symbolically and allegorically. The Druids in France had an initiation in which the candidate was required to pass through a river from one bank to the other for purification and was placed in a coffin for three days to represent death. On the third day he was restored to life.

"We have very little information about these ancient societies but what we have teaches us three fundamentals: first, the existence of one God and with that same fundamental we are still concerned in the Entered Apprentice Degree. Second, man's duties toward his fellow men and with that great doctrine we are still concerned today in the Fellowcraft Degree and most important the sublime hope of immortality. That, as you know, is still the material of the degree of Master Mason. So we have every right to call ourselves "Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. Our history is long and honorable. These great men of the past have bequeathed to you and me a goodly heritage. May God grant us strength, wisdom and vision to be worthy of it." (Hearty Applause).

M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill: R.W. Bro. Toast Master, M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Honored Guests I know every one of you envy me. I wish you would all take place at this time. It seems impossible to express in words what I would like to express when we have heard such an educational, such a beautiful, inspiring address. I am reminded of the birds: once a year they come from the South to the North and return again to the South. Sir, you have the same privilege coming into this grand country of ours — just as free as the birds. No 49th Parallel holds you up. I think that is one of the finest things and the greatest example to the whole of the world today. If the

countries of the world could only live side by side as we do with 3,000 miles of undefended border line. I am getting away from what I was called upon to say and that was to express to you our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for a most wonderful address — inspiring and educational. I extend to you my right hand of fellowship as a representative of the 500 Masons here tonight, hoping you will return home safely and remember us.

(The evening's entertainment terminated with the Junior Warden's Toast).

Second Day = = (Morning Session)

Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to Labour at 9:00 a.m. At this point it was brought to the attention of the Grand Master that we were running behind schedule and it was suggested that some of the Reports be taken as read.

MOVED by M.W. Bro. F. P. Galbraith and seconded by M.W. Bro. Arthur D. Cumming "that the reports of the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Librarian be received, taken as read and printed in the proceedings " Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the M.W. The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:

I beg to present herewith the Forty-Sixth Annual report of your Grand Secretary, together with a statement of monies received from Lodges, and Lodge balances for the fiscal year ending April 30th, 1951. A statement of receipts and expenditures and assets and liabilities as at that date will be found in the Auditor's Report.

Also included in the report is a synopsis of Certificates issued and all other official data of the M.W. Grand Master and transactions of this office for the fiscal year.

LODGES

There are 152 Chartered Lodges and one under dispensation on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Alberta A.F. & A.M. with a total membership as at December 31st, 1950 of 15,509.

PROCEEDINGS

Six hundred copies of the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication were printed and distributed in accordance with the instructions of Grand Lodge. Two copies were sent to each Lodge and a third copy when requested by the Lodge. It is recommended that six-hundred be printed for this year.

CERTIFICATES

In accordance with Section No. 75 of the Constitution, Certificates were issued to all Elected and Appointed Officers of Grand Lodge.

I have issued 862 Master Mason Certificates to Brethren Raised during the year.

117 Life Members were registered and the requisite Certificates issued. I have also issued 130 Past Masters Certificates who have applied for same.

BY-LAWS

The M.W. The Grand Master has examined and approved the By-laws of the following:

Calgary No. 23	May 15th, 1951
Rocky Mountain No. 50	June 29th, 1950

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Medicine Hat No. 2	April 16, 1951
Cascade No. 5	Feb. 22, 1951
Jasper No. 14	Mar. 30, 1951
Wetaskiwin No. 15	Apr. 23, 1951
Nanton No. 17	Jan. 31, 1951
Vermilion No. 24	Jan. 15, 1951
Sentinel No. 26	Feb. 14, 1951
Star of the East No. 34	Dec. 20, 1950
King Solomon No. 41	Dec. 20, 1950
Bowden No. 42	Nov. 14, 1950
Bowden No. 42	Apr. 20, 1951
Ionic No. 45	Nov. 27, 1950
Unity No. 51	Dec. 9, 1950
King George No. 59	May 29, 1950
Acme No. 60	Nov. 27, 1950
St. Andrew's No. 66	Feb. 1, 1951
Lamont No. 94	Dec. 21, 1950
West Edmonton No. 101	Jan. 16, 1951
Cyprus No. 113	Nov. 10, 1950
Dominion No. 117	Sept. 18, 1950
Concord No. 124	Jan. 11, 1951
Renfrew No. 134	Apr. 11, 1951
Cresset No. 136	Feb. 22, 1951
Irricana No. 137	Jan. 9, 1951
Berry Creek No. 158	Aug. 7, 1950
Berry Creek No. 158	Apr. 12, 1951
Gateway No. 164	Nov. 7, 1950

DISPENSATIONS

To wear Regalia at Divine Service	33
To Install and Invest out of time	17
To Elect and Invest out of time	11
To Change the Night of Regular Meeting	26
To Change the Hour of Regular Meeting	6
To Receive and Act with Physical Disability	4
To Invest out of time	3
To Elect out of time	1
To Act without Residence Qualifications	8
To Withdraw Application	12
To Ballot and Initiate the same evening	2
To Regularize the Ballot	1
To Confer Degrees in less time than prescribed by the Constitution	5
To Conduct a Lodge of Instruction	1
To Confer Degrees on six Candidates in one evening	1

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Commissions of the M.W. The Grand Master, appointing Grand Representatives near the following Grand Lodges, on the recommendation of their respective Grand Masters were issued as follows:

GEORGIA	Julian B. McConnell
INDIANA	Robert I. Berry
LOUISIANA	Edwin L. Waldron
MEXICO (York)	G. Nelson Furbeck
RHODE ISLAND	Archer A. Gartner
SCOTLAND	James S. Williamson

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The following Special Committees were appointed by the M.W. The Grand Master:

BULLETIN

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris (88) — was appointed Editor.

MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

V.W. Bro. Malcolm J. Brodie (63) — was appointed Chairman.

REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

M.W. Bro. Howard B. Macdonald (83).

M.W. Bro. F. P. Galbraith (29)

R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard (28).

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. Howard B. Macdonald (83).

M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis (124).

M.W. Bro. Russell J. Bradley (51).

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris (88).

M.W. Bro. John Martland (63).

M.W. Bro. W. A. Henry (10).

FRATERNAL DEAD

R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson (84).

V.W. Bro. Malcolm J. Brodie (63).

R.W. Bro. Peter Asplund (136).

GRAND HISTORIAN

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris (88).

YELLOWKNIFE

R.W. Bro. Charles E. Garnett (142) was appointed **Grand Master's Special Representative**.

MEMBERSHIP

Total membership (corrected) as at December 31st, 1949—14,954.
Increase:

Initiated	848	
Passed	874	
Raised	862	
Affiliated	204	
Reinstated	48	
		1,190

Decrease:

Dimitted	229	
Suspended N.P.D.	80	
Suspended U.M.C.	4	
Died	232	545
Net Increase		555

Total Membership, as at December 31st, 1950 15,509

From the above it will be seen there were 73 less Initiated than in 1949. Affiliations increased by one and there was a drop in reinstatements of 19. Five more Dimitted than in 1949 with 8 less Suspended N.P.D., while Deaths were down 13 below last year.

Losses, therefore, were almost 50 per cent of the gain. The net gain was 555, and the losses 545.

We would once more emphasize the necessity for greater care in the sponsoring of new members.

COURTESY DEGREES

During the year we have conferred thirty-four (34) Courtesy Degrees for Sister Jurisdictions and have requested five (5) Courtesy Degrees for our own members who have moved elsewhere.

INSTITUTION IF CANADA LODGE, U.D.

On March 12th, 1951, Canada Lodge U.D. was Instituted by R.W. Bro. H. A. Mallery (124) D.D.G.M. District No. 18. The Grand Master was present and a large number of Past Grand Officers and Members. All the Lodges in the jurisdiction join in wishing them success.

FEES AND DUES

Amounts outstanding against the Lodges are considerably larger than last year. Approximately one half of the amount shown in the Auditor's Report is outstanding against the Districts for P.D.D.G.M. regalia and it is quite possible that these amounts have not yet been collected. As regards the Lodges, I feel that their indebtedness is due to the failure of the Secretaries to send the payment in promptly after payment has been authorized. I would ask if the Secretaries will kindly check up their Lodge accounts and remit more promptly. One Lodge has not yet paid their semi-annual dues.

LODGE SECRETARIES

Another year's operations discloses the fact that in many Lodges the rapid turnover of Secretaries still continues. One can only conclude that the work a Secretary is called upon to perform is not adequately compensated for by the remission of his annual dues. A well informed and competent Secretary is indispensable to a strong Lodge — without one there cannot be the other.

When, as we have this year, Secretaries who have torn up the record cards of members, sincerely believing they were not necessary, which entails extra work in this office by providing duplicate sets — in other cases, Semi-Annual Returns forms destroyed because no one knew what they were for, indicates the low ebb in which some Secretaries bring their Lodges to. One is very grateful for the great majority of fine fellows who watch over the destinies of their lodge so ably and successfully, year in and year out, whose co-operation is hereby gratefully acknowledged.

I would recommend to the D.D.G.Ms. that where it is possible, to hold a meeting of all Lodge Secretaries in their District at some central point where could discuss their problems and some old and competent Secretary could instruct them and give them the benefit of his experience, especially in the preparing of Semi-Annual Returns and other forms.

AMALGAMATION OF LODGES

Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, Innisfree: After many years of operation, found that they could no longer carry on. The district filled up with people of foreign origin, most of whom were hostile to Freemasonry and many of them of doubtful political opinions, not in keeping with our Canadian way of life. Slow strangulation left the Lodge no choice. Negotiations were entered into with Hope Lodge No. 38 and on Monday, March 12th, 1951 the Amalgamation of Kilwinning Lodge No. 110 with Hope Lodge No. 38 was successfully consummated. Our best wishes attend this union.

REGALIA

We regretfully advise the Brethren that Regalia has increased in price with prospects of further increases in the near future. Lodges are again warned to be on guard against buying Aprons of inferior quality. Be sure your "Lambskins" are real leather.

SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS

We are glad to report an improvement in the matter of Semi-Annual Returns. Not nearly so many were returned this year. May I again request those preparing them check carefully before mailing. Make sure all the figures are correctly added, names given in full, dates given when Degrees are conferred. Dimits for the period, properly signed, attached to the Returns, etc. They should also be forwarded to the Grand Lodge Office within one month of the closing of the half-yearly period. Non-compliance with this regulation greatly impedes the work of this office.

DISTRICT MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

I attended the Grand Master at all eighteen of the District Meetings. All were well attended and much interest was aroused by the "Open Forum" period. Letters have been received asking that this part of the programme be extended.

I also attended the Conference of Western Grand Lodges in Banff, full report of which will be found elsewhere.

I also attended the Second All-Canada Conference of Grand Lodges, held in Winnipeg in February last. Many matters of vital interest to the Craft were discussed at these Conferences and I am sure your representatives gained a great deal by attending and taking part in the discussions — reference to this will be found in the Grand Master's Address. I also accompanied the Grand Master to many special Lodge events.

WHITE WANDS

We are greatly indebted to M.W. Brother John Martland for the gift of three "White Wands" for the use of Grand Lodge Officials. M.W. Brother Martland will formally present them at the forth-coming Communication.

CORRESPONDENCE

This year there has been a heavy increase in the number of Lodges and Brethren writing direct to the Grand Master. All letters dealing with Masonic matters must be referred to the Grand Secretary. See Section No. 43 of the Constitution. Brethren please take note.

MANITOBA FLOOD RELIEF FUND

The appeal of M.W. Brother H. B. Macdonald to the Lodges last year for donations to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund resulted in \$10,416.52 being contributed. The disbursements of this amount were as follows:

Forwarded to Grand Lodge of Manitoba	\$ 9,604.03
(By consent) Diverted to Calgary Relief Fund	795.50
Exchange on cheques	16.93
Stamps	.06
Total	<u>\$10,416.52</u>

A detailed list of amounts contributed by Lodges will be found attached elsewhere to this Report. In addition to the above amount collected from Lodges the sum of \$5,000.00 was donated by Grand Lodge, making a total donation to Manitoba of \$14,604.03.

PANEL OF SPEAKERS

It will be remembered that last year M.W. Brother H. B. Macdonald recommended in his Grand Master's Address that Panel of Speakers be set up. Much thought has been given to this recommendation which was approved by Grand Lodge. The matter is not as easy to set up as appears on the surface.

There are a large number of capable men who no doubt are able and willing to visit Lodges within a reasonable distance of their homes. Unfortunately they are not known to your Grand Lodge Officers. It was felt that to arbitrarily appoint a number of men in the North and South would leave out some very capable and willing speakers.

The Grand Master therefore, decided to make an appeal through the medium of the Bulletin, inviting Brethren who are willing to act in such capacity, to register their names. Those living North of Red Deer kindly register with V.W. Brother Malcolm J. Brodie (63), and those South of Red Deer with the Grand Secretary. In this way it is hoped to obtain representation from every District. This notice will appear in the September Bulletin.

GRAND HISTORIAN

The appointment of a Grand Historian was also approved at the Annual Communication last year. Enquiries in several jurisdictions elicited the information that a Committee was not favored and it was felt that much better results could be obtained by one competent well-informed member than through a Committee. The Grand Master, therefore, has appointed M.W. Brother Sam Harris as Grand Historian for the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

APPRECIATION

I also wish to express my thanks at this time to V.W. Brother G. B. Thorn of Edmonton, who so kindly translates the many Spanish, French and Portuguese letters and documents that come into the office. His services are greatly appreciated.

My thanks are also due to the Masters and Secretaries and D.D.G.Ms. who have been prompt and co-operative. Also to the Grand Master whose assistance thoughtfulness and co-operation, I have valued greatly. Last but not least to Miss Butler whose services in the Grand Lodge Office are invaluable.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE MOORE,
Grand Secretary.

RESOLVED on motion of M.W. Brother George Moore (23) and seconded by R.W. Brother W. H. Jackson (8):

"That the Report of the Grand Secretary, with the exception of the Financial Statement, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report, and that the Financial Statement, including the Auditor's Report be referred to the Committee on Finance."

*Annual Report of the Grand Secretary and
Auditor's Report for the Year Ending
April 30th, 1951*

Statement of Debits, Credits and Monies received from Lodges
between May 1st, 1950 and April 30th, 1951.

No.	Name of Lodge	Debits	Credits	Amount Received
1.	Bow River	\$ 10.00		\$ 414.75
2.	Medicine Hat	.60		536.60
3.	Alberta	6.00		182.72
4.	North Star	14.20		326.95
5.	Cascade	2.00		264.90
6.	Spitzie	10.16		186.49
7.	Edmonton			693.42
8.	Innisfail			226.85
9.	Perfection			738.90
10.	Eureka		\$ 2.00	206.65
11.	Acacia		.95	667.60
12.	Red Deer			330.80
13.	Victoria	8.30		82.75
14.	Jasper	7.55		219.20
15.	Wetaskiwin	14.25		192.60
16.	Mountain View	1.00		179.70
17.	Nanton	2.50		157.55
18.	Britannia	7.15		167.40
19.	Cornerstone			285.80
20.	Carstairs			104.85
21.	King Hiram	2.55		146.70
22.	Corinthian			263.60
23.	Calgary	6.50		364.75
24.	Vermilion			244.30
25.	St. John's	19.65		147.85
26.	Sentinel	2.94		131.61
27.	Apollo			186.90
28.	Ashlar			310.40
29.	Kenilworth		2.00	301.20
30.	Summit		2.00	123.85
31.	Doric	.50		140.90
32.	Cairo			160.60
33.	Stavely	3.92		98.60
34.	Star of the West	8.52		118.13
35.	Mizpah			365.00
36.	Gleichen		.15	130.40
37.	Camrose		.65	198.45
38.	Hope	3.00		113.60

No.	Name of Lodge	Debits	Credits	Amount Received
39.	Lethbridge			416.15
40.	Joppa		3.65	88.90
41.	King Solomon			142.75
42.	Bowden		.45	99.55
43.	Tuscan	6.75		70.15
44.	Buffalo Park	5.50		144.80
45.	Ionic	.65		62.05
46.	Palestine			102.75
47.	Chinook		1.68	64.03
48.	Crossfield	.30		128.10
49.	Robert Burns	7.00		78.95
50.	Comet			104.25
51.	Unity	7.50		620.40
53.	Strathmore			215.10
54.	Mount Lebanon			329.89
55.	Bassano	38.85		138.70
56.	Beaver		1.30	97.40
57.	Grassy Lake	3.55		108.50
58.	Chief Mountain	4.55		91.45
59.	King George			490.60
60.	Acme	6.00		87.00
61.	Provost	3.40		118.75
62.	Melrose	15.50		129.15
63.	Empire			255.50
64.	Bow Island	38.50		40.40
65.	Diamond City	5.00		56.32
66.	St. Andrew's	2.97		116.29
67.	Charity			148.95
68.	Edson	4.80		387.25
69.	Connaught			96.75
70.	Quarry	51.51		46.50
71.	Tawatinaw			127.20
72.	Coronation			147.35
73.	Brooks		2.00	224.95
74.	Vulcan	4.45		160.60
75.	Harmony	2.00		82.66
76.	Fidelity	1.88		79.90
77.	Strathcona	4.20		328.35
78.	Hanna	1.00		196.80
79.	Morning Star	1.00		82.47
80.	Excelsior			44.40
81.	Commercial		3.50	390.35
82.	Acadia		2.00	85.13
83.	Zetland		.70	463.70
84.	Champion	11.60		103.45
86.	Rocky Mountain			137.40
87.	Crescent	32.90		464.90
88.	Wahpun			97.90
89.	Peace River	1.22		215.30
90.	Norwood	12.30		385.51
91.	Patricia			386.60
92.	Saskatchewan	.60		267.15

No.	Name of Lodge	Debits	Credits	Received Amount
93.	Symbol	5.80		273.91
94.	Lamont	3.85		123.80
95.	Kitchener	2.00		80.15
96.	Dynamic	2.00		77.75
97.	Albion			77.45
98.	Hand Hill		.15	162.05
100.	Century	2.00		167.30
101.	West Edmonton	2.45		358.40
102.	Edgerton	10.44		116.96
103.	Foremost	4.90		98.50
104.	Oyen	85.15		99.30
105.	Grande Prairie			221.05
106.	Lake Saskatoon	4.13		67.32
107.	Carbon	3.90		110.25
108.	Pyramid		.50	53.67
110.	Kilwinning			31.50
111.	Nobleford		9.75	55.90
113.	Cyprus	12.50		89.55
114.	Westlock	13.69		176.60
115.	Crocus		.50	54.40
116.	Spirit River	3.20		98.30
117.	Dominion			342.45
118.	St. Mark's	14.50		309.35
119.	York			256.70
120.	Monitor	2.45		69.90
121.	Clive		56.00	
122.	Rising Sun		30.00	
123.	Rockyford			85.57
124.	Concord	2.00		368.30
125.	Cavell			90.50
126.	Pembina	3.00		66.20
127.	Granite	6.10		141.63
128.	Forestburg		18.77	106.21
129.	Meridian		.45	125.05
130.	Hussar	1.00		89.70
131.	Kitscoty		1.00	96.04
132.	Craigmyle	1.00		70.65
133.	Manyberries			74.47
134.	Renfrew	3.80		341.65
135.	Alliance		4.04	76.69
136.	Cresset	.85		72.60
137.	Irricana	8.70		117.05
138.	Onoway			84.10
140.	Big Valley		6.25	149.50
141.	Efficiency	4.69		96.68
142.	Ivanhoe	1.60		381.30
143.	Jasper Park		2.35	251.60
144.	Gratton			60.85
145.	St. Alban's		.85	109.08
146.	Drumheller			195.35
147.	Northland			161.45
148.	Mayerthorpe		11.60	83.30

No.	Name of Lodge	Debits	Credits	Amount Received
151.	Lochearn		.35	172.85
152.	Standard			76.24
153.	Whitecourt	5.00		92.20
154.	Waskatenau	2.25		76.60
156.	Hythe	.60		113.85
157.	Sharon	2.00		90.95
158.	Berry Creek	.58		77.17
159.	Lucerne		9.49	85.00
160.	Sexsmith	1.25		110.40
161.	Empress		.25	122.15
162.	Yellowknife		5.00	150.60
163.	Ancient Landmark	3.69		63.91
164.	Gateway		1.00	84.65
	U.D. Canada		2.00	81.40
	Masonic District No. 4			120.00
	Masonic District No. 7			270.00
	Masonic District No. 8			25.00
	Masonic District No. 10			135.00
	Masonic District No. 11			115.00
	Masonic District No. 12	135.00		125.00
	Masonic District No. 13	135.00		
	Masonic District No. 14	135.00		
	Masonic District No. 15	135.00		135.00
	Masonic District No. 18			135.00
	Sundry Account	25.00		108.05
		<u>\$ 1,192.84</u>	<u>\$ 183.33</u>	<u>\$28,896.77</u>

MASONIC MANITOBA FLOOD RELIEF FUND**Statement of Receipts and Expenditures**

Lodge No.	Name	Receipts from Lodges
161	Empress	\$ 100.00
	M.W. Bro. Sam Harris	10.00
157	Sharon	50.00
142	Ivanhoe	500.00
77	Strathcona	100.00
156	Hythe	100.00
143	Jasper Park	100.00
	Bro. L. B. Robson	47.70
	Bro. M. M. Neighbor	5.00
	Bro. W. L. York	1.30
21	King Hiram	100.00
23	Calgary	210.00
131	Kitscoty	60.00
97	Albion	100.00
153	Whitecourt	25.00
106	Lake Saskatoon	25.00
37	Camrose	25.00
82	Acadia	100.00
123	Rockyford	100.00
78	Hanna	80.00
36	Gleichen	50.00
115	Crocus	24.00
65	Diamond City	25.00
126	Pembina	100.00
154	Waskatenau	50.25
145	St. Alban's	50.15
124	Concord	200.00
51	Unity	400.00
56	Beaver	50.00
74	Vulcan	100.00
107	Carbon	137.00
22	Corinthian	65.00
160	Sexsmith	25.00
102	Edgerton	25.00
30	Summit	50.00
17	Nanton	50.00
	Bro. J. S. Blake	10.00
81	Commercial	200.00
96	Dynamic	50.00
66	St. Andrew's	40.00
127	Granite	50.00
53	Strathmore	145.62
28	Ashlar	200.00
24	Vermilion	27.00
27	Apollo	25.00
105	Grande Prairie	50.00
69	Connaught	100.00

Lodge No.	Name	Receipts from Lodges
21	King Hiram	10.00
117	Dominion	200.00
7	Edmonton	350.00
44	Buffalo Park	25.00
49	Robert Burns	50.00
94	Lamont	50.00
103	Foremost	25.00
144	Gratton	50.00
86	Rocky Mountain	50.00
148	Mayerthorpe	30.00
18	Britannia	25.00
104	Oyen	50.00
98	Hand Hill	25.00
68	Edson	200.00
75	Harmony	50.00
29	Kenilworth	25.00
34	Star of the West	50.00
	R.W. Bro. Ferguson	5.00
67	Charity	100.00
101	West Edmonton	100.00
134	Renfrew	200.00
152	Standard	44.00
15	Wetaskiwin	200.00
12	Red Deer	100.00
	V.W. Bro. D. L. McCullough	10.00
87	Crescent	100.00
55	Bassano	25.00
6	Spitzie	50.00
130	Hussar	25.00
140	Big Valley	50.00
116	Spirit River	50.00
41	King Solomon	100.00
13	Victoria	50.00
42	Bowden	15.00
4	North Star	100.00
20	Carstairs	100.00
33	Stavely	20.00
	R.W. H. A. Gates	10.00
119	York	100.00
146	Drumheller	100.00
31	Doric	50.00
159	Lucerne	100.00
25	St. John's	10.00
70	Quarry	25.00
2	Medicine Hat	100.00
3	Alberta	50.00
39	Lethbridge	100.00
50	Comet	50.00
58	Chief Mountain	70.00
73	Brooks	100.00
89	Peace River	176.00

Lodge No.	Name	Receipts from Lodges
92	Saskatchewan	100.00
113	Cyprus	25.00
79	Morning Star	55.00
107	Carbon	9.00
38	Hope	25.00
16	Mountain View	50.00
11	Acacia	100.00
43	Tuscan	25.00
80	Excelsior	20.00
93	Symbol	50.00
92	Bro. McNally Henry	10.00
158	Berry Creek	25.00
137	Irricana	93.00
14	Jasper	200.00
163	Ancient Landmark	53.00
9	Perfection	300.00
54	Mount Lebanon	200.00
83	Zetland	379.00
62	Melrose	150.00
5	Cascade	31.00
48	Crossfield	187.50
60	Acme	46.00
37	Camrose	25.00
19	Cornerstone	100.00
35	Mizpah	100.00
	Assiniboia Chapter No. 3 R.A.M. (Medicine Hat)	50.00
162	Yellowknife	120.00
Total		\$10,416.52

DISBURSEMENTS

Sent to Grand Lodge of Manitoba	\$ 9,604.03
Diverted (by consent) to Calgary Flood Relief Fund	795.50
Exchange on Cheques	16.93
Stamps	.06
Total	\$10,416.52

Calgary, May 23, 1951.

To the M.W. the Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta A.F. and A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

I have made an examination of the books and accounts of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the fiscal period ended April 30, 1951, and submit herewith the usual financial Statements and report as follows:

The balance in the Bank of the General Fund and several Trust Funds have been verified by me and confirmed to me by the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The amount shown as due from Lodges appears somewhat higher than in the past, but this is explained by reason of accounts owing by several districts for regalia purchased and not yet paid for amounting to \$540.00.

There are certain balances due as between the different funds of Grand Lodge, some of which have been carried forward from previous years; I would suggest that cheques be issued so as to clear up these differences.

During the past year the Province of Alberta Bonds were called, amounting to \$121,000.00, which with foreign exchange premium and the talons attached, amounted to \$129,092.66. These were replaced by \$130,000.00 Dominion of Canada Bonds, due 1968 and paying 2¾ % interest. Your Finance Committee also disposed of \$8,000.00 Dominion of Canada's 1960, 3%, \$101.00 7/8 and \$7,000.00 — 1962, 101.75 these were also replaced by Dominion of Canada's 1968. The 1951 Dominion of Canada Bonds of the par value of \$2,600.00 were also called, but these have not as yet been replaced.

The Revenue Account shows an excess of Income over Expenditure of \$2,349.29 after making allowance for depreciation and providing \$1,000.00 for the Grand Secretary's Pension Fund. This is an improvement of \$1,439.00 as compared with the excess of last year and is explained by the increase in Income from Supplies, Regalia and Membership Fees. There is an increase of expenditure of some \$500.00 but this is understandable under present conditions.

Subject to the foregoing remarks, I am of the opinion that the attached Balance Sheet and accompanying Statements exhibit a true and correct view of the financial position of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. and A.M., as at April 30, 1951, according to the best of my information, and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. IRELAND, Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**SURPLUS ACCOUNT****As at April 30th, 1951**

Balance, May 1, 1950	\$21,746.11
Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure as per Revenue Account	2,349.29
Profit on Bonds sold	163.75
Balance to Balance Sheet	<u>\$24,259.15</u>

BENEVOLENT CAPITAL ACCOUNT**As at April 30th, 1951**

Balance May 1, 1950	\$224,043.86
Affiliation Fees	248.00
Savings Bank Interest	2.48
Profit on Bonds Sold	5.00
U.S. Premiums on Province of Alberta Bonds	4,650.00
Talons on Province of Alberta Bonds	3,442.66
	<u>232,392.00</u>
Less Bank Charges on Bond Transactions	37.25
Balance to Balance Sheet	<u>\$232,354.75</u>

RELIEF FUND SURPLUS ACCOUNT**As at April 30th, 1951**

Balance May 1, 1950	\$ 85,523.45
Interest Earnings	8,735.43
Membership Fees	7,568.45
Refunds from Lodges on Grants	180.00
Premium on U.S. Exchange	209.88
Profit on Bonds Sold	138.75
	<u>\$102,355.96</u>
Less Grants to Beneficiaries	\$8,218.71
" Donations to Manitoba Flood Relief Fund	5,000.00
" Allowance to Pension Fund	1,000.00
" Exchange	2.15
	<u>14,220.86</u>
Balance to Balance Sheet	<u>\$ 88,135.10</u>

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS****From May 1st, 1950 to April 30th, 1951****Benevolent Fund**

Balance in Bank, May 1, 1950	\$	302.94	
Affiliation Fees		248.00	
Bank Interest		2.48	
Balance in Bank, April 30, 1951			553.42
	\$	553.42	\$ 553.42

Relief Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1, 1950	\$	7,027.77	
Interest Earnings:			
Dominion of Canada Bonds	\$	6,570.00	
Province of Alberta Bonds		2,117.50	
Ontario Hydro Electric		600.00	
Province of New Brunswick		341.25	
Savings Bank		31.88	
		9,660.63	
Per Capita Tax		7,568.45	
Dominion of Canada Bonds called:			
Benevolent Fund		505.00	
Relief Fund		3,030.00	
Masonic Home and School Fund		101.00	
		3,636.00	
Premium on U.S. Funds		209.88	
Province of Alberta, Talons on Bonds		3,442.66	
Receipts from Lodges		180.00	
Payments to Beneficiaries			8,218.71
Transfers to General Fund			15,000.00
Exchange			2.15
Balance in Bank			8,504.53
	\$31,725.39		\$31,725.39

Masonic Home and School Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1, 1950	\$	25.50	
Interest on Bond		1.50	
Balance in Bank			\$ 27.00
	\$	27.00	\$ 27.00

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.
Balance Sheet as at April 30th, 1951

ASSETS**General Fund:**

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	\$ 11,664.58
Dominion of Canada	
Bonds	\$ 18,917.50
Accrued Interest	178.96
Balance due from Lodges	19,096.46
Balance due from Benevolent Fund	1,192.84
Books, Stationery and Supplies	294.59
on hand	1,400.73
Furniture and Fixtures	877.74
Regalia	1,665.57
	<u>\$ 36,192.61</u>

Benevolent Fund:

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	553.42
Investments in Bonds at Cost	231,235.12
Balance due from Relief Fund	860.80
	<u>232,649.34</u>

Relief Fund:

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	8,504.53
Investments in Bonds	
at cost	\$ 77,232.56
Accrued Interest	2,609.68
Balance due from General Fund	79,842.24
	<u>750.13</u>
	89,096.90

Masonic Home and School Fund:

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	27.00
Balance due from Relief Fund	101.00
	<u>128.00</u>
	\$358,066.85

LIABILITIES**General Fund:**

Balance due to Lodges	183.33
Balance due Relief Fund	750.13
Pension Fund for Grand Secretary	11,000.00
Surplus Account as per Schedule ..	24,259.15
	<u>36,192.61</u>

Benevolent Fund:

Balance due General Fund	294.59
Capital Fund as per Schedule	232,354.75
	<u>232,649.34</u>

Relief Fund:

Balance due Benevolent Fund	860.80
Balance due Masonic Home and School Fund	101.00
Surplus Account as per Schedule ..	88,135.10
	<u>89,096.90</u>

Masonic Home and School Fund:

Legacy from the Estate of the late W. Bro. James Winn with accrued interest	128.00
	<u>\$358,066.85</u>

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**REVENUE ACCOUNT****For 12 Months Ended April 30th, 1951**

Budget	Revenue	
\$11,000.00	Membership Fees	\$ 12,109.50
1,800.00	Initiation Fees	1,704.00
1,800.00	Certificate Fees	1,918.00
200.00	Dispensations	183.00
200.00	Affiliation Fees	209.00
	Life Membership Fees	99.00
\$15,000.00		\$ 16,222.50
	Interest on Bonds	729.30
	Supplies Sold	\$ 2,298.67
	Less Costs	1,529.27
		769.40
	Regalia Sold	1,505.00
	Less Cost	1,290.09
		214.91
	Bulletin Revenue	2,069.46
	Less Cost	1,438.00
		631.46
		2,345.16
\$15,000.00	Gross Revenue	\$ 18,567.66

Expenditure

\$ 6,500.00	Salaries	\$ 6,598.72
1,320.00	Rent and Light	1,320.00
200.00	Telephone and	
	Telegrams	206.53
650.00	Postage and Express	597.59
	Office Supplies	42.28
175.00	Audit Fee	175.00
75.00	Interest and Exchange	116.69
	Flowers and Gifts	71.75
22.50	Safety Deposit Box	
	Rental	22.50
45.00	Unemploy. Insurance	49.18
25.00	Insurance	11.50
	General Expense	43.09
		9,254.83
2,200.00	Printing Proceedings	1,157.35
	General	745.25
		1,902.60

Travelling Expenses

1,200.00	Grand Master	1,642.58	
1,000.00	Grand Officers	478.90	
			2,121.48

Grand Lodge Expense:

930.00	Annual Communication	926.81	
500.00	Western Conference	437.15	
1,000.00	Reserve for Pension Fund	1,000.00	
	Trial Commission	120.16	
	Research and Education ..	172.80	
			2,656.92

\$15,842.50

Depreciation:

	Furniture and Regalia	97.54	
	Regalia	185.00	
			282.54
			16,218.37

Net Revenue for the Year

\$ 2,349.29

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GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
From May 1st, 1950 to April 30th, 1951

RECEIPTS

Balance in Bank, May 1, 1950	\$ 7,005.52
Receipts from Lodges	28,896.77
Proceeds from Sale of Bonds:	
Province of Alberta Principal	\$121,000.00
Interest and Premium	4,612.75
Dominion of Canada Principal	125,612.75
Interest	15,272.50
Transfers from Relief Fund	117.12
Interest on Bonds	15,389.62
	15,000.00
	150.00

DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	\$ 6,598.72
Printing	1,925.10
Rent and Light	1,320.00
Postage and Express	597.59
Telephones and Telegrams	206.53
Interest and Exchange	89.73
Audit Fee	175.00
Flowers and Gifts	71.75
Unemployment Insurance	49.18
Insurance General	11.50
Safety Deposit Box Rental	22.50
Office Supplies	42.28
General Expense	43.09

11,152.97

Travelling Expense:

Grand Master	1,642.58
Grand Lodge Officers	478.90

2,121.48

Grand Lodge Expense:

Annual Communication	926.81
Western Conference	437.15
Research and Education Committee	172.80
Trial Commission	128.66

1,665.42

Supplies Purchased	465.70
Regalia Purchased for resale	1,290.09
Regalia Replacements	117.65
Bulletin Expense	1,438.00

3,311.53

Transfers to Relief Fund	7,568.45
Transfers to Benevolent Fund	248.00
Purchase of \$150,000.00 Dominion of Canada Bonds	149,322.23

5,000.00

Payment to Manitoba Relief Fund	11,664.58
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia, April 30th, 1951	

\$192,054.66\$192,054.66

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.**LIST OF SECURITIES AS AT APRIL 30th, 1951****Benevolent Fund — Investment Account****Dominion of Canada:**

		Rate of Interest	Par Value	Cost	Annual Interest	Interest Accrued
Feb. 1, Perpetual ..	3	%	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,987.50	\$ 150.00	\$ 36.57
Mar. 15, Perpetual ..	3	%	24,000.00	22,765.00	720.00	88.77
May 1, 1957	3	%	10,000.00	10,000.00	300.00	150.00
Sept. 1, 1966	3	%	55,000.00	57,681.25	1,650.00	275.75
June 15, 1968	2½	%	130,000.00	129,350.00	3,575.00	1,322.25
			\$224,000.00	\$224,783.75	\$6,395.00	\$1,873.34
Province of New Brunswick:						
Sept. 15, 1965	3½	%	6,500.00	6,451.37	227.50	112.81
TOTAL			\$230,500.00	\$231,235.12	\$6,622.50	\$1,986.15

Relief Fund — Investment Account**Dominion of Canada:**

Feb. 1, Perpetual ..	3	%	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,987.50	\$ 150.00	\$ 36.58
Sept. 15, Perpetual ..	3	%	15,000.00	15,461.31	450.00	56.71
Mar. 1, 1954	3	%	5,000.00	5,000.00	150.00	25.06
Nov. 1, 1956	3	%	3,000.00	3,000.00	90.00	45.00
Jan. 1, 1959	3	%	10,000.00	10,000.00	300.00	100.00
June 1, 1960	3	%	5,000.00	5,000.00	150.00	60.41
Feb. 1, 1962	3	%	500.00	500.00	15.00	3.66
Sept. 1, 1966	3	%	2,000.00	2,095.00	60.00	10.02
Sept. 1, 1966	3	%	5,000.00	5,243.75	150.00	25.07
June 15, 1968	2¾	%	6,000.00	5,970.00	165.00	61.02
			\$ 56,500.00	\$ 57,257.56	\$1,680.00	\$ 423.53

**Hydro-Electric Power
Commission of Ontario:**

July 2, 1964	3	%	20,000.00	19,975.00	600.00	200.00
			\$ 76,500.00	\$ 77,232.56	\$2,280.00	\$ 623.53

General Fund**Dominion of Canada:**

July 1, Perpetual ..	3	%	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,987.50	\$ 150.00	\$ 36.57
June 15, 1968	2¾	%	14,000.00	13,930.00	385.00	142.39
			\$ 19,000.00	\$ 18,917.50	\$ 535.00	\$ 178.96

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

I submit hereunder my report as Grand Treasurer for the year ending April 30th, 1951.

General Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1st, 1950	\$	7,005.52	
Receipts from Lodges		28,896.77	
Sale of Alberta Bonds		125,612.75	
Sale of Dominion of Canada Bonds		15,389.62	
Transfer from Relief Fund		15,000.00	
Interest on Bonds		150.00	\$ 192,054.66
Cheques Issued	\$	180,390.08	
Balance in Bank, April 30, 1951		11,664.58	\$ 192,054.66

Relief Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1st, 1950	\$	7,027.77	
Interest		9,660.63	
Per Capita Tax		7,568.45	
Bonds called		3,636.00	
Premium in U.S. Funds		209.88	
Prov. of Alberta Talon Coupons		3,442.66	
Receipts from Lodges		180.00	\$ 31,725.39
Payments to Beneficiaries	\$	8,218.71	
Transfer to General Fund		15,000.00	
Exchange		2.15	\$ 23,220.86
Balance in Bank, April 30, 1951			\$ 8,504.53

Benevolent Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1st, 1950	\$	302.94	
Affiliation Fees		248.00	
Bank Interest		2.48	
April 30th, 1951 Balance in Bank			\$ 553.42

Masonic Home and School Fund

Balance in Bank, May 1st, 1950	\$	25.50	
Interest on Bond		1.50	
April 30th, 1951. Balance in Bank			\$ 27.00

Manitoba Floor Relief Fund

Receipts from Lodges			\$ 10,416.52
Cheques to Grand Lodge of Manitoba	\$	9,604.03	
Cheques to Calgary Flood Relief Fund		795.50	
Exchange and Stamps		16.99	\$ 10,416.52

The above does not include cheque of \$5,000.00 mailed to Grand Lodge of Manitoba from Relief Fund.

A detailed account of Receipts and Disbursements is fully set forth in the Reports of the Grand Secretary and Auditor.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

A. J. DAVIS.
Grand Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg to present herewith my Annual Report as Grand Librarian.

Receipt of copies of the Proceedings from Grand Lodges with whom we are in fraternal communication, is hereby acknowledged.

Where two copies have been received, one has been sent to the reviewers and one placed in the Grand Lodge Library.

No new books have been purchased this year.

The following books have been donated by R.W. Brother D. D. Penman (91) Edmonton.

"Dr. Ashes Masonic Manuel" — by Oliver.

"Hutchinson's — Spirit of Masonry" - by Oliver.

"Collected Essays and Papers relating to Freemasonry" --- by Gould.

These books were a welcome addition to our Library and the grateful thanks of Grand Lodge is hereby extended to R.W. Brother Penman.

Claudy's "Introduction to Freemasonry" have been in great demand and over one hundred sets have been sold to Lodges.

We still have on hand a number of "The Master's Book" by Claudy, which are very useful for Masters and Wardens.

A number of Lodges and members have made use of the Library this year. The Brethren are reminded that we welcome enquiries personal or otherwise, at any time.

Our thanks are also due for the many Bulletins, pamphlets and brochures received from Grand Jurisdictions.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

GEORGE MOORE,
Grand Librarian.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

The Board begs to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ending 30th April, 1951.

The total income to the Benevolent Fund from interest and assessments amounted to the sum of \$16,832.51. The following disbursements were made:

Grants to beneficiaries	\$8,218.71	
Manitoba Flood Relief Fund	5,000.00	
Appropriation for Employees Pension Fund	1,000.00	
Exchange on cheques	2.15	\$14,220.86
Leaving a balance of		\$ 2,611.65

The refunds received from Lodges amounted to \$180.00.

To total number of beneficiaries obtaining benefits from the Fund was 65. Of these 35 were widows of deceased brethren, 18 were Masonic brethren, one a child of a deceased Brother, and the remainder were compassionate grants to members or their families.

It may be of interest to our members to note that of our beneficiaries, two reside in the United States, one in England, four in the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, and the others in the Province of Alberta.

The grants to beneficiaries is somewhat higher this year than in previous years. The policy of the Board has been to increase the amount of grants to keep pace with the increased cost of living, and this factor may contribute to increased payments for the future. On the other hand the proposed Dominion legislation providing for a pension to all over the age of seventy, without a means test, and the granting of pensions to persons between the ages of 65 and 69, where required, may be a contributing factor in a reduction or elimination of grants in certain cases.

The grant to a child of a deceased Brother has been made for several years now, for the purpose of enabling the boy in question to receive a good education, and the Board feels that the money expended has been well spent in this case.

There was a request to the Board from Grand Lodge to consider an application made by District No. 2 for assistance in procuring a home for aged Masons in the City of Medicine Hat. The Board inquired very fully into the matter, but in view of the fact that at the District meeting of the District in question, there was a considerable lack of unanimity on the part of the members in the District in embarking on the scheme in question, the Board has felt that no action should be taken in the matter at this time.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to again remind the brethren of the necessity of presenting petitions to the Board where relief is asked for.

The Lodges are further requested to give prompt attention to any requests which may come from other jurisdictions regarding applications for relief, as any inattention to such matters tends to bring discredit on this grand jurisdiction.

We wish to express our appreciation for help given by brethren in other jurisdictions, for attention to our beneficiaries in distant parts. V.W. Parry of Southampton, England, continues to give care and attention to one of our beneficiaries at that point. W. Brother Shuttlewood of Vancouver Masonic Relief Board, has been very help-

ful in attending to brethren or their relatives in that Province. V.W. Brother J. R. Bradley of Edmonton, has been extremely co-operative in attending to beneficiaries in the northern part of the Province. M.W. George Moore, our Grand Secretary, has at all times given his usual painstaking attention to the secretarial work of the Board.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JOHN J. PETRIE,
Chairman of Board of Benevolence.

RESOLVED on Motion of R.W. Brother J. J. Petrie, seconded by R.W. Brother George Bureau that the Report of the Board of Benevolence to be received and adopted.

A Brother: Most Worshipful Sir: Did I understand that the committee reported that when the means test came into effect we would be able to save some money? It appears to me that in my opinion now that the means test will come into effect we will be able to benefit members a little more; nobody can expect that they live on \$40.00 a month."

R.W. Bro. Petrie:: "In answer to the point raised I would like to point out there are certain limitations on the Board as to the relief which can be given. We are limited to a certain amount. If we gave more the rights of brethren would be affected.

A Brother: "No that does not answer me at all. That was your alibi before the means test came into effect — that we could not help the old pensioners because if we did it would stop them getting help.

R.W. Bro. Petrie: "It is only in the case of beneficiaries of 70 years of age that the means test does not apply. I can assure the Brother this Board will be prepared to grant any application that comes before it. If there is necessity of relief the case will be given every consideration."

R.W. Bro. Jos. Marsh: "M.W. Grand Master in this report there is one thing I do not agree with; that is the one where we speak about harmony from Medicine Hat. Nearly all of the Brethren in Medicine Hat were in full harmony. The trouble was that we were told by the Grand Lodge Officers there was a fence around this money and could not touch it; therefore, this committee practically dissolved itself. We are still prepared to go ahead with that deal if we can get some money from Grand Lodge. How can we get this money? Without it our case is as good as gone. If you can get a unanimous vote of Grand Lodge to pry this money loose from the Relief Fund I am sure something can be done. Until Grand Lodge can do something along this line, I do not see how any grant can be made. That is the only objection I take to that statement read this morning. I do think it is a grand thing for Masons to do something for our fellows. I am quite sure in our District No. 2 we will do our part. We wanted to place this property in the Grand Lodge's name in District No. 2. Grand Lodge would have this property.

We decided in District No. 2 we would run this affair, keep all data on it and we agreed we would run this ourselves in our District if we could have got this \$15,000.00 from Grand Lodge and buy the property and invest it in Grand Lodge's name. While I am on my feet I would like to recommend too that we reverse the proceedings and have the meeting at the north end of this banquet room from now on. That is one suggestion I have to offer and I hope you will do it next time".

M.W. Bro. George Moore: "Most Worshipful Sir: I feel it is my duty to differ with R.W. Bro. Marsh. He will remember the Brethren met one afternoon and came to no conclusion and at the District meeting that night the Medicine Hat Brethren split 50 to 49. There is nothing unanimous about that and it included the members of the surrounding district. The committee moved a resolution that the whole matter be dropped and the committee dissolved. R.W. Bro. Marsh then got to his feet and said please do not do that. Give me another shot at the country lodges. Brother Marsh got out a circular in contradiction of the Grand Lodge ruling. He recommended a 75c a month assessment. We did not find that unanimity of opinion that R.W. Bro. Marsh speaks of and now says exists. I can go so far as to say there is no unanimity of opinion. I regret to differ with Bro. Marsh because he is a great friend of mine. I feel I have stated the case fairly, The Grand Master was present and there are other Brethren from Medicine Hat here whose opinion I would like to hear on the matter.

The Grand Master: "Brethren, the answer to this matter cannot be found this year. If it is the unanimous desire in the district to have it submitted to this Grand Body it could be so done at the time when it is ready. If there are no further questions, if there are no further answers required or demanded I will leave it with you.

The report of the Board of Benevolence was then put to a vote and carried.

BENEFICIARIES OF GRAND LODGE**May 1st, 1950 — April 30th, 1951**

Beneficiary	Amount	Beneficiary	Amount
Mrs. H. A.	\$150.00	Bro. J. T. McD.	\$200.00
Mrs. J. W. B.	120.00	Mrs. D. McI.	60.00
Bro. J. B.	60.00	Bro. E. M. McC.	60.00
Mrs. C. B.	180.00	Bro. R. McG.	80.00
Mrs. E. A. B.	300.00	Mrs. B. N.	152.00
Mrs. A. B. C.	127.91	Mrs. G. N.	90.00
Mrs. G. C.	120.00	Mrs. R. E. N.	75.00
Mrs. T. P. C.	150.00	Bro. H. O. P.	200.00
Mrs. M. M. C.	180.00	Mrs. S. H. P.	120.00
Mrs. B. C. C.	90.00	Mrs. W. P.	240.00
Bro. S. E. E.	120.00	Mrs. H. J. R.	50.00
Mrs. M. M. F.	125.00	Bro. R. J. R.	120.00
Bro. A. McP. F.	240.00	Bro. R. C. R.	120.00
Mrs. W. A. G.	125.00	Mrs. M. A. C. R.	280.90
Mrs. J. G.	120.00	Mrs. L. R.	240.00
Mrs. R. G.	60.00	Bro. H. S.	120.00
Bro. W. G. G.	120.00	Bro. C. O. S.	300.00
Bro. W. J. H.	360.00	Mrs. A. S.	47.50
Mrs. J. G. H.	60.00	Mrs. H. S.	270.00
Bro. T. H.	120.00	Mrs. W. J. T.	240.00
Bro. G. T. J.	150.00	Mrs. E. M. T.	64.00
Mrs. M. K.	180.00	Mrs. L. V. V.	120.00
Bro. R. K.	60.00	Mrs. F. P. W.	112.50
J. L.	209.00	Mrs. W. W.	90.00
Mrs. P. M.	60.00	Mrs. W. W.	120.00
Mrs. N. M.	65.00	Mrs. A. W.	350.00
Mrs. G. B. M.	180.00		
Total Grants to Beneficiaries			\$7,753.81
Sundry Grants			464.90
			\$8,218.71
Less Contributions from Lodges			179.85
Total Grants			\$8,038.86

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the M.W. Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

The meeting of the Board of General Purposes was held in the Masonic Temple in Edmonton, immediately following the close of Grand Lodge on Thursday, June 15th, 1950, with R. W. Brother W. F. Empey in the Chair.

The Chairmen of the several Committees were elected and the personnel left to the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution. The Board then adjourned to meet in the City of Calgary, Tuesday, June 12th, 1951.

The Board assembled on June 12th, 1951 and the several Reports of the Committees were considered and referred to this Communication for your consideration and approval.

The Report of the Finance Committee was presented by M.W. Bro. A. D. Cumming and provoked considerable discussion.

The recommendations adopted last year by Grand Lodge, re the hiring of an assistant to the Grand Secretary, together with the proposed payment to past D.D.G.M., was thoroughly discussed.

The increased cost of supplies and all services required by Grand Lodge demanded an increase in revenue, which is reflected in the Budget attached hereto.

ON MOTION the Report was received and referred to Grand Lodge.

R.W. Brother W. F. Empey submitted a very fine report and on behalf of this Committee on the Condition of Masonry, was enthusiastically received and referred to Grand Lodge.

Letters received from Lodges protesting the change in the wording of the Charge to the Entered Apprentice was referred to the Committee on the Work.

The suggestion of Perfection Lodge No. 9, as presented through the District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1, was referred to a special Committee under the Chairmanship of M.W. Brother John Martland (51).

M.W. Brother LeRoy W. Bond also put forward the suggestion that it was time Grand Lodge reviewed the present situation and probable future of Alberta and see if the time was not ripe to establish a fund for the erection of a permanent building for Grand Lodge Office, etc.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

This Committee has appeals from two Brothers which were dealt with last year by a Special Commission and which will come before this Grand Lodge for final decision at this session. They also have one of lesser importance to deal with, which will also come before this Board.

The report of the Committees on Fraternal Relations, Jurisprudence and Charters and New Lodges was received and ON MOTION, referred to Grand Lodge.

The proposed Amendments to the Constitution were very thoroughly discussed on ON MOTION were received and referred to Grand Lodge.

Some of the Brethren felt that some further Amendments could be brought in, which would be beneficial to Grand Lodge, and recommended that the in-coming Grand Master appoint another Committee to further consider the matter and bring in necessary amendments at next Annual Communication. A suggestion was made to V.W. Brother J. A. G. Lauder that in view of the long service of R.W. Brother T. Bull who is now living in Victoria in retirement, that a hearty vote of thanks be forwarded to him by this Grand Lodge in recognition of his many services. The Board has much pleasure in endorsing this suggestion.

M.W. Brother Hedley Auld, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, then addressed the meeting and pointed out that the dates of the meetings of the three Western Grand Lodges did not lend themselves to mutual visitation as well as they might and suggested that the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan exchange dates of meeting. This would mean that the Grand Lodge of Alberta change from the second Wednesday to the third Wednesday in June. The benefits derived from such a change would be that Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta would follow one after the other and would greatly assist in arranging visitations, etc.

ON MOTION of M.W. Brother William Ireland, seconded by M.W. Brother Wm. A. Henry, the suggestion was approved and it was recommended that the necessary constitutional change be submitted at the Annual Communication in June 1952.

R.W. Brother George Bureau made the suggestion that the Board of General Purposes meet at 2:00 p.m. on the day before Grand Lodge, and that the Committees meeting in the forenoon and prepare their reports, and have them ready for the afternoon session.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

W. F. EMPEY,
Chairman.

RESOLVED ON MOTION of R. W. Brother W. F. Empey, seconded by M.W. Brother R. J. Bradley "That the Report of the Board of General Purposes to be taken as read and printed in the Proceedings."

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Re: Petition Form — Proposed Changes

The Communication received from Masonic District No. 1 as to proposed changes in the form at present in use.

We, the Committee, respectfully recommend that only two changes be made, namely:

(1) Name in full (Block Letters)

(2) Employed by

Name of Firm

Address

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JOHN MARTLAND,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Regular meetings of the Board were held by this Committee during the year and all matters of the business of Grand Lodge carefully considered.

The balance due from Lodges and Districts is particularly high this year and is made up with about half being membership fees due and the other half regalia which has been shipped out to the various Districts and not paid for yet. We would ask that the various Districts and Lodges make every effort to clean this balance of \$1,200.00 up immediately.

The Auditor has regularly examined the books and accounts and his Report and Financial Statement covering the period is now in your hands.

We would recommend that M.W. Brother William Ireland, C. A., be appointed Auditor for the current year and be paid the sum of \$200.00 for services.

You will note by referring to the Financial statement, that the cost of the operation of Grand Lodge has increased considerably. This year the Financial Statement shows a profit in the General Fund over our revenues of \$2,345.16. This is entirely due to the increased sale of supplies, the actual operation of Grand Lodge balances within \$4.00. We recommend that the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred to the reserve of the General Fund.

Our Benevolent investment Fund shows an increase of, par value \$8,500.00. This is arrived at by the calling of Alberta Bonds and the collection of U.S. premiums, and talon coupons.

The Relief Fund Investment account is reduced by \$3,000.00 par value, caused by the donation to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund and pension for the Grand Secretary.

The General Fund Investment account is increased by \$5,000.00 through the set-up from last year of moving the Grand Secretary's

Pension Fund into their reserve. However, this \$11,000.00 is now transferred into a separate account, known as the Grand Secretary's Pension Fund and amounts to \$11,000.00.

You will note that the Bulletin revenue costs show a profit of \$631.46. This, however, does not include the cost of postage and envelopes supplied from the General Fund.

The rent of Grand Lodge Office has been increased \$50.00 per month retroactive from January 1st, 1951. This means that \$200.00 rent paid for last year, has been provided for in the Budget this year. Therefore, we have included the \$200.00 in the estimated rent for 1951-1952, which will, of course, disappear in next year's budget.

The office staff of Grand Lodge has been increased by one this year, by R. W. Brother J. R. W. Cann, Quarry Lodge No. 70, P.D.D.G.M. District No. 2, as Assistant to the Grand Secretary. His employment commences June 1st, 1951. R. W. Brother Cann is a good speaker and no doubt will be visiting some of the Lodges during the coming year, and perhaps take the load off the Grand Secretary at some of the District Meetings. Get acquainted with Brother Cann as we believe he is a very fine man.

We recommend very strongly that the Notice of Motion that will come before you, increasing the assessment of Per Capita Tax, be passed, as all costs of operation are increasing along with the other cost of living items. Should it not do so it will be necessary to draw from your General Fund Reserve. Attached to this Report is the Budget for 1951-1952, which is listed below.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

A. D. CUMMING,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Brother A. D. Cumming, seconded by R.W. Brother O. C. Smith, that the Report of the Finance Committee be received and adopted.

BUDGET 1951-52

	REVENUE — 1950-1951	Actual	1951-1952
Membership Fees	\$11,000.00	\$12,109.50	\$12,000.00
Initiation Fees	1,800.00	1,704.00	1,700.00
Certificate Fees	1,800.00	2,010.00	1,800.00
Affiliation Fees	200.00	209.00	200.00
Charter Fees		25.00	35.00
Dispensations	200.00	179.00	180.00
	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$16,236.00</u>	<u>\$15,915.00</u>

Expenditures

	1950-1951	Actual	1951-1952
Salaries	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,598.72	\$ 9,000.00
Rent and Light	1,320.00	1,320.00	2,120.00
Telephones and Wires	200.00	203.55	200.00
Postage and Express	650.00	590.08	650.00
Office Supplies and Printing	2,200.00	2,051.26	2,000.00
Exchange	75.00	122.29	75.00
Insurance	25.00	4.00	25.00
Grand Master's Expense	1,200.00	1,600.00	1,200.00
Grand Officers' Expense	1,000.00	478.90	1,000.00
Annual			
Communication, Calgary	700.00	693.05	1,200.00
Grand Master's Regalia	230.00	229.36	275.00
Western Conference, Banff	500.00	437.15	500.00
Safety Deposit Box	22.50	22.50	22.50
Unemployment Insurance	45.00	49.18	85.00
Research and Education and Bulletin (Banff Papers)		172.80	200.00
Audit Fees	175.00	175.00	200.00
Assessment-All			
Canada Conference	300.00		350.00
Expenses-All Canada Conference Expenses-			
Washington Conference		42.53	450.00
Payment, if passed, to D.D.G.M's. (1950-51)			900.00
Sup. Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$16,236.50</u>	<u>\$15,915.00</u>

The Grand Master: "Brethren, at this time I would like to have John Martland attend at the Altar. M.W. Brother John Martland is Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of England. On his collar is an emblem, the black rosette denoting the mourning of the passing of the Duke of Devonshire whose passing was recognized yesterday in this Grand Body. John Martland, returning from a visit to the Mother Grand Lodge has a presentation to make to Grand Lodge, this gift he will now present officially. I will ask the Deacons to take him that gift which I do not wish to mention until he uses the word himself.

M.W. Bro. John Martland: M.W. Grand Master and Brethren: I have felt for some considerable time that there was a need for the recognized wand for your two Grand Deacons. In your own Constitution in several of the ceremonies it provides that two white wands shall be used. We have never had them and I thought it was just too bad this Grand Lodge could not equip itself properly for various ceremonial occasions and as a consequence and being rather pleased in the design as I saw them over there I took the liberty of ordering a couple of white wands for the two Deacons.

While I was about it, noticing the prominence that is brought forward in connection with the Grand Director of Ceremonies which, unfortunately, has not been done to any large extent in this Grand Lodge — he too is provided with a wand — and so I included that in the list. I hope from now on the appointment of Grand Director of Ceremonies and whoever he may be, the Appointee, will take under consideration the various serious duties he is supposed to perform in connection with that office. It is not just power and an apron and the added title but something of far more importance. In fact, if I had my way I would suggest you alter your Constitution so that your Grand Director of Ceremonies may be appointed from two to five years and that you have an Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies who could be learning the work in the meantime. Brethren you see before you the Officers with the wands I refer to. Maybe it was presumptuous on my part to order these but I hope you, M.W. Grand Master, will accept these for the Grand Lodge of Alberta in the spirit that I intended it should be done. So now I have very great pleasure in presenting to this Grand Lodge, through you, the proper wands for the Senior and Junior Grand Deacons and the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The Grand Master: M.W. Bro. Martland on behalf of the Brethren of Grand Lodge and all Free Masons throughout the Jurisdiction I wish to express sincere thanks to M.W. Bro. John Martland for this very kind and generous thought and deed. It is indeed a kindly gift to this Grand Lodge and will lend much dignity to our proceedings. I agree that there should be a term appointed for Grand Master of Ceremonies with an assistant under him to be trained. I would like to see an assistant elected for M.W. Bro. John Martland to train. On your behalf again I thank M.W. Bro. John Martland for this valued gift which we deeply appreciate."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

To the M.W. Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on the Condition of Masonry is happy to report another successful year throughout the jurisdiction from the standpoint of membership, statistics, financial progress and fraternal relations.

Your Committee has carefully examined the reports of the D.D.G.Ms. and notes evidence of good and faithful work performed by them in their respective Districts.

Apparently they have taken their duties and responsibilities seriously, and rendered valuable services to the Lodges.

They express their appreciation of the services and advice rendered to them by the District Secretaries.

While there is a general increase in membership, nevertheless your committee has to report that through loss of members and lack of new material Kilwinning Lodge No. 110 at Innisfree in September last year decided to amalgamate with Hope Lodge No. 38 at Mannville. This amalgamation taking place March 12th, 1951.

The financial statistics of all Lodges will be found in the Grand Secretary's report.

MEMBERSHIP

At the beginning of 1950 our membership stood at 14,962 and during the year 1950 there was a net increase of 550 as shown herewith:

Initiated	826	
Passed	840	
Raised	840	
Affiliated	194	
Reinstated	46	
Total gain		1066
Demitted	220	
S.N.P.D.	70	
Passed on	226	
Total loss		516
Net Increase		550
Membership, Dec. 31st, 1950		15512

Once again the increase in membership is one of the outstanding features of the D.D.G.Ms. reports. However we would point out that a large percentage of the increase by way of initiation took place in the larger city Lodges, many of which are already too large for good assimilation of new members.

LODGE ATTENDANCE

Lodge attendance is always a matter of concern, particularly in the case of the larger Lodges and it is a noticeable fact that in the case of many of the rural Lodges and small town Lodges the average attendance is around 50 to 60 per cent and even higher in some instances, whereas the larger Lodges show an average attendance of as low as 22 per cent this in spite of the fact that special nights are arranged when there are extra good attendances.

Of course it must be remembered there is in many cases a very high percentage of non-resident members which must of course effect the average attendance.

We can only hope that these nonresident members are attending Lodge where they are presently located.

There are no doubt in our midst many who are still retaining membership in their mother lodges and others who are carrying

dimits. How to reach them and interest them in keeping contact is a problem. As stated above many of our city Lodges are too large and therefore the solution would seem to lie in the institution of more Lodges.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

District meetings were held in all Districts throughout the jurisdiction, and the Deputies without exception have reported a good attendance, instructive papers and discussions taken part in by the members present, together with, in some instances exemplification of the work.

It is quite evident from the reports that there is increasing interest in Masonry and a keen desire for Masonic Light and instruction.

The Grand Master, M.W. LeRoy W. Bond was present at all of the eighteen District Meetings, and was on every occasion accompanied by M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, he was also accompanied on many occasions by R.W. Bro. W. Jackson Junior Grand Warden and other members of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master is to be highly commended for his devotion and untiring efforts on behalf of the Districts and Masonry in general in this jurisdiction. The addresses given by the Grand Master at all District Meetings or private Lodge meetings were of the most timely and inspiring nature and were well received.

YELLOWKNIFE LODGE NO. 162

This the most northerly Lodge under the special supervision of R.W. Bro. Chas. E. Garnett, P.D.D.G.M. continues to show good progress. Twelve members were initiated, one affiliated one demitted and one passed on thus showing a net increase in membership of eleven.

NEW LODGES

During the year a new lodge was formed in the City of Calgary and was granted dispensation on March 14th, 1951.

Your committee is also informed that the necessary steps are being taken toward the formation of a new Lodge in the Jasper Place and Capitol Hill area on the western outskirts of the City of Edmonton.

This is most desirable and we hope will lead to the formation of other Lodges, particularly in our cities.

MASONIC EDUCATION

It is quite evident from the reports of the Deputies that there is an increasing interest in Masonry and a keen desire for Masonic Light, and instruction. This desire must be fostered and encouraged. From the statistics it is evident that many Lodges have been so

busy with degree work that there has been little opportunity for masonic instruction and education. We are pleased to learn that panels of speakers are in the process of being provided, whose help will be available to Lodges requiring and desiring such assistance.

However there is some responsibility in this regard incumbent upon the individual. If as he professes on his initiation he has a genuine desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to render himself more extensively useful to his fellow men, which after all is the great purpose of Masonry, then he must be ready and willing to make some research on his own behalf. It is the duty of his sponsor and of the officers of the Lodge to direct him to the proper sources.

GRAND LODGE BULLETIN

On this the sixteenth year of publication of the Grand Lodge Bulletin we are pleased to note from the reports an increased interest in the articles appearing from time to time, also an increase in the circulation, and we look forward to the day when there will be a complete coverage of the membership by this worthy publication.

We owe a debt of gratitude to M.W. Bro. Sam Harris, P.G.M. for his good work and untiring efforts in this connection while acting in the capacity of Editor.

BANFF CONFERENCE

The Annual Meeting of the Banff Conference was held in Sept. As in previous years it was attended by representatives from the four Grand Jurisdictions of Western Canada, and representatives also attended both from the East and from across the American line.

The Conference is of great value, as it affords an opportunity for Junior Grand Lodge Officers to gain experience as well as an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and the development of acquaintance of Grand Lodge Officers of other Jurisdictions.

The papers and discussions are of a high order, and a wider distribution of the proceedings of these conferences would we feel be of great help to the constituent Lodges.

ALL CANADA CONFERENCE

The Second All Canada Conference was held in Winnipeg, Man. in Feb. similar to the Banff Conference, with these differences, it meets every two years and embraces representatives from all ten Provinces as well as visitors from across the line.

Apart from the benefits derived from an exchange of ideas this conference provides an opportunity for better acquaintance and understanding of each other as Masons and as Canadians. May it long continue.

GENERAL

Our Province is passing through times of great development and prosperity. The development of our natural resources with which we have been so bountifully blessed by kind providence has attracted numerous industries with a resulting increase in population.

No doubt that among those seeking and finding homes there are great numbers of members of our Order who will we hope join our Lodges and not lose contact.

Many others will be seeking admission to our Lodges for the first time and while we will welcome them, we must be extremely cautious in our choice of initiates.

These are times when we need to most carefully guard our ancient landmarks and also when it is of paramount importance that every Mason recognize his duty to practice outside the Lodge those excellent precepts inculcated within the Lodge.

We must ever bear in mind that there is an ideology abroad which is directly opposed to our way of life and which would destroy it if given the opportunity. Its adherents to whom our obligations mean nothing might seek entrance to our sanctuaries and if once admitted could do irreparable wrong. Therefore it behooves us to use the utmost caution regarding initiates and also in admitting strangers as visitors.

It is difficult to understand why anyone should be attracted by a Communistic philosophy in this good land, but it is here and must be met. We cannot exterminate it by force but we can demonstrate our belief in a better way of life.

There is an old Chinese saying: "It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness". If we are all keenly loyal to our Masonic principles, we need have no fear. Our greatest danger lies in our own apathy.

Let us demonstrate by our daily lives that we have a better way of solving the worlds difficulties.

We would again commend the District Deputies for the complete and interesting reports submitted by them, and express our appreciation of the time and energy expended by them in the work of Freemasonry in their respective Districts.

We have pleasure in recommending that the rank of P.D.D.G.M. be conferred on the following brethren:

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13.	R.W. Bro. D. W. Patterson	105
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15.	R.W. Bro. A. G. Warren	125
16.	R.W. Bro. F. D. Knowlton	152
17.	R.W. Bro. Donald H. Allan	96
18.	R.W. Bro. Harry A. Mallery	124

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

W. F. EMPEY,

Chairman, Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

RESOLVED on Motion of R.W. Brother W. F. Empey, (51) seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Booth (51), "That the Report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg to report that, in accordance with the instructions of Grand Lodge, we have reviewed the official acts of the Grand Master, and approve the same.

No special Dispensations were issued by the Grand Master that would need review of this Committee. There have been no rulings made by the Grand Master. The case of Un-Masonic Conduct under review last year has been appealed and will come before this Grand Lodge Communication for decision.

Throughout this Grand Jurisdiction harmony and good fellowship has prevailed during the past year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

HOWARD B. MACDONALD,

Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Brother H. B. Macdonald (83), seconded by R.W. Brother Peter Dawson (84), "That the Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence be received and adopted."

ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. Sumner Davis, Grand Master of Idaho

"Most Worshipful Sir, first I would like to express my appreciation for the reception we have had and I tell you in my heart I

appreciate the way you received us from below the Line and recognized us as fraternal brothers and bring us here before our flag. It is touching to us. It gets us in the heart. It is deeply appreciated. I would like to say something about that Line and another line. The two lines have no connection whatever. One I thought, would be of interest to everyone; you have heard of it several times during this Communication. We do have this line which runs from east to west and that is supposed to divide Canada and the United States. I saw the Waterton Glacier Peace Park and there is the plaque which is dedicated to peace between the two nations. Brethren, what is a line? We are taught in Free Masonry what a line is and that line across there is nothing more than the line we are taught about in Free Masonry: it has length but no width or thickness. If you sent the 400 here this morning down below the line you could not pick out those from the North and the South. As to the other line I had an interesting meeting. In New York City they have one Lodge there who entertain the Grand Master of Idaho each year just after the Grand Master's Conference in Washington. This year the Idaho night came during what New York called Brotherhood Week. This particular Lodge are very, very ardent Masons. If Brotherhood Week is on, with them it is simply a must — they must do something for brotherhood. There is no doubt in their minds at all. They are 99 per cent Jewish. They are the most ardent Masons. Being Brotherhood Week and being Idaho night they combine the two and Brethren there is where I crossed the color line and when I walked into that Lodge in New York there were twenty colored gentlemen sitting in that Lodge — an experience I have never had before and never expected to have again. Many of you do not know but there is only one legitimate, duly constituted lodge in the United States that is composed of colored men. That is Alpha Lodge No. 116 in New Jersey. They only have 116 members.

Just to wind up with something let me remark on the Masonic line. I just want to call your attention to Brother Poteat. Last night he gave us the masterful words of history of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons and stimulated us to study Free Masonry. It is the study of the speculative side such as Bro. Poteat gave us last night that is going to keep this society going. If we degenerate into a social club we will not last many years. If we study the symbols and allegories in Free Masonry then this old fraternity will be perpetuated for centuries to come. Thank you."

The Grand Master: "On your behalf I want to thank my great friend myself — Sumner Davis of Idaho. On his hand is a ring given to the first Grand Master of Idaho 55 years ago. He is the 55th Grand Master to wear this ring. The Brother who presented the ring is still alive. It says on the ring "Grand Master of Masons in Idaho." Brethren, I hope the little idea of the ring is on the records. I wish I thought of it a year to two ago."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Case No. 32. This Brother was suspended by his Lodge in May 1950 for three months. This Committee recommended that this sentence be increased to one of Indefinite Suspension and this was confirmed by Grand Lodge last year. His Lodge voted in May, 1951 to have this suspension terminated if Grand Lodge approved. Your Committee recommends that no action be taken at present.

Cases No. 30 and 31. This is an appeal by two former members of a Lodge against a sentence of Indefinite Suspension imposed on them by a Trial Commission in May, 1950, and confirmed by Grand Lodge last year. The Grand Master appointed a special Committee to consider this appeal and this Committee has confirmed the sentence of the Trial Commission. Your Committee concurs in this action but it would urge that steps be taken to have the written charges sent by these two former members to their Lodge, prior to the sitting of the Trial Commission, forwarded to Grand Lodge.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

F. P. GALBRAITH,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Brother F. P. Galbraith (29), seconded by M.W. Brother R. J. Bradley (51), "That the Report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

W.M. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee has received the Report of our Grand Secretary, M.W. Brother George Moore for the year ending April 30th, 1951.

This Report is most thorough and complete in every way. We are glad to note a net increase of 555 members. There are now 152 Chartered Lodges and one Lodge under Dispensation, this Lodge is located in the City of Calgary.

Six Commissions to Grand Representatives were issued on the recommendation of the several M.W. Grand Masters in the six Grand Jurisdictions where the Grand Representatives were appointed.

Your Committee is glad to note the Grand Secretary's reference that greater care should be exercised by the members in the sponsorship of new applicants and we regret to note that the Grand

Secretary reports a continual change in the Lodge Secretaries, also that record cards, copies of Semi-Annual Return forms are being destroyed by some secretaries through ignorance your Committee are of the opinion these and all other Lodge records should be carefully preserved for all time.

The recommendation of the Grand Secretary that each District Deputy Grand Master call together the Secretaries of the Lodges in his District, is an excellent one, this meeting could prove to be of great benefit and value to all members in their respective Districts.

Your Committee are pleased to note an improvement in the matter of the Semi-Annual Returns in their being forwarded to the Grand Secretary, promptness of the several Secretaries of Lodges in forwarding their Returns greatly facilitates the work of the Grand Secretary and his Office.

We congratulate the Grand Secretary on being in attendance at the Eighteen District Meetings, his health being greatly impaired we know he made many of these visits at great discomfort to himself and it is our hope that the Most High will, in His great wisdom, restore our good M.W. Brother George Moore to good health in order that we shall be benefited with his counsel and good judgment for many years to come.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JOHN MARTLAND,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Brother Sam Harris (88), seconded by M.W. Brother John Martland (63), "That the Report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

In reviewing the Grand Master's Address, we would first of all like to congratulate our Grand Master on his generous, whole-hearted enthusiasm for the cause of true Freemasonry. In the words of Thomas Payne uttered in a dark period of his country's history: "These are days that try men's souls," and, in our own time, how true these words are. These are days of confused political and social ideologies and it is refreshing to have so clear an expression of the Principles and ideals for which Freemasonry stands as set forth by our Grand Master. The deep attention of all Brethren privileged to hear the Grand Master expound the world situation and the need for the Masonic philosophy to counteract the materialistic thought of the day, clearly indicates their deep interest. We heartily concur in the Grand Master's quotation from General Montgomery that

"military strength will not save the floundering world but it will take inspired leadership to lead it away from its mood of distrust and suspicion."

Your Committee agrees that we must inculcate into the hearts and lives of our Members the true ideals of Freemasonry and then proclaim them to a world searching for some ray of hope in this dark night of uncertainty and doubt. Your Committee recommend to all lodges that the Grand Master's Address be read, reflected upon and put into practice by lodges and the membership generally. This Address will do much to strengthen the purpose for which our Order stands. We believe it will restore hope and confidence to our Brethren, thus helping to bring about the day when universal peace will reign and the Principles of Freemasonry be established throughout the world.

We wish to amplify the welcome extended by our Grand Master to our distinguished visitors. Their presence here has brightened our meetings and the messages they have brought from other Jurisdictions have been most encouraging. With the Grand Master, we heartily reciprocate their good wishes and express the hope they will visit us again and will carry to their respective Grand Jurisdictions the warm expression of fellowship we extend to them.

Your Committee joins with the Grand Master in tribute to the memory of those of our Brethren who have departed from "this veil of tears to that Celestial Lodge Above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe reigns forever." Each one, in his own special way, contributed something to the symbolical Temple of Freemasonry which we are building and they will long be remembered by those who knew them best.

It is seldom any Grand Master has to record the passing of such world-renowned Masonic Brethren as that of His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, and King Gustaf of Sweden, M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Sweden. Both these distinguished Brethren served Freemasonry well in their own countries and were known throughout the world and honored as Leaders among our Craft.

During the past year Freemasonry, in North America, also lost three outstanding Grand Secretaries and we concur with the Grand Master's fitting tribute to these departed Brethren. Their respective Grand Lodges have suffered a distinct loss as well as Freemasonry in general.

We are happy to note the Grand Master was able to visit so many Sister Jurisdictions during the past year and it is of special interest to note he was present at the One Hundredth Anniversary commemorating the founding of the Grand Lodge of California. We are glad the Alberta Grand Lodge was so well represented on this memorable occasion.

We commend the Grand Master for his attendance at the Conference of the Grand Masters of North America held at Washington

and the All-Canada Conference at Winnipeg, as well as the Tenth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference of the Western Grand Lodges at Banff.

Your Committee feels these visitations do much to broaden one's conception of the purpose for which Freemasonry stands and gives one an enlarged understanding of the duties and obligations of Grand Lodge to the Constituent Lodges and the membership generally.

The attendance of the Grand Master at all District Meetings is highly gratifying. The freedom given his Deputies in arranging the agenda for their meetings offered an opportunity for individual initiative and for discussion of local problems in each District as well as an expression of their conception of the Masonic philosophies.

The large attendance at all District Meetings is worthy of note and shows that great interest is prevalent throughout the entire Grand Jurisdiction.

We also desire to commend and congratulate the Grand Master on the number of visitations he was able to make to Constituent Lodges during his term of office. We know that wherever he has gone he has done much to stimulate increased interest in the purpose for which Freemasonry exists and in our work.

It is encouraging to note that a Dispensation was granted this year for the formation of Canada Lodge U.D. in Calgary and that P.G.M., M.W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell, is one of the Charter Members. Your Committee also notes that the formation of another lodge is under consideration in Edmonton. It is the belief of your Committee that many of the lodges are too large in membership and the formation of additional lodges would stimulate new interest as well as tend to increased attendance at meetings.

The appointment of M.W. Bro. Sam Harris as Historian for the Grand Lodge of Alberta is heartily endorsed and we urge all lodges to co-operate in furnishing Bro. Harris with material of interest pertaining to the early history of Masonry in our Province, both before and after the formation of Grand Lodge in Alberta.

Your Committee is pleased to note that a Panel of Speakers is to be arranged for, whose services are to be made available to lodges throughout the Grand Jurisdiction. This is most desirable and we commend the Grand Master for arranging this important service.

Regarding the recommendation that a "Grand Lodge Building Fund" be set up, we feel that this entire matter should be referred to the Board of General Purposes or to a special committee of Grand Lodge for careful consideration and that the matter of office space and facilities for the conduct of the Grand Lodge Office should be carefully analyzed.

We concur in the reference of our Grand Master to the excellent quality of the Grand Lodge Bulletin, under the editorship of M.W.

Bro. Sam Harris. It is interesting to note that, with the June issue, the Bulletin has completed its Sixteenth year of publication and it is commendable that its circulation is steadily increasing so that now practically all Masons in Alberta receive a copy.

The Ideals of Freemasonry, as portrayed by the Grand Master in the closing paragraphs of his Address, cannot but inspire all of us to redouble our efforts and make us resolve so to live that when the twilight comes and the night falls, we shall be, not only another day's journey nearer home, but shall have lived a man's part and done a man's work in the world — and shall have advanced the cause for which genuine Freemasonry stands.

Freemasonry has been well and truly served during the past year by a Grand Master who has given so unstintingly of his time and energy to the cause which is so dear to his heart. His smiling countenance and sincere messages of Masonic virtue will long be remembered wherever he has visited. He has done much to brighten and enrich those who were privileged to see and hear him and it is the sincere hope of all our Brethren that he may long be spared in health and happiness to labor among us for the benefit of our time-honored institution.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

H. B. MACDONALD,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on motion of M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald (83) seconded by M.W. Bro. R. J. Bradley (51), that the report of the Committee on Grand Masters Address be received and adopted.

ADDRESS

By Most Worshipful Bro. J. H. Morgan, Grand Master of B.C.

"M.W. the Grand Master of Freemasons of Alberta, distinguished Freemasons, and Worshipful Brethren: I first wish to bring to you M.W. Grand Master the warmest fraternal greetings of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of British Columbia. Then secondly I wish to thank you M.W. Grand Master for the privilege that has been given today and was yesterday to the Grand Master of that Grand Jurisdiction of being present at this Communication of yours; the privilege he is having of enjoying this delightful Communication of fraternalism. I want also to thank you M.W. Grand Master for all the grand arrangements made for my comfort and for the exceedingly happy hospitality that has been extended to me. Over the years M.W. Grand Master a very warm and friendly fraternal association has existed between your Grand Lodge and my Grand Lodge of British Columbia. We in British Columbia are exceedingly happy that that spirit of fraternalism exists in the time that it does and add our prayers that it will continue all down through the ages until time shall be no more. I particularly wish to thank you M.W. Grand Master for the inter-provincial fraternal arrangements that exist with the lodges in your

jurisdiction and those in mine so close to the provincial boundary line. I have in mind those lodges of British Columbia which exist in the Peace River District of British Columbia. We have two constituent lodges, one at Dawson Creek and the other at Fort St. John. These two lodges are a very considerable distance from our headquarters at the Coast and it is not so easy for us to keep ourselves in close contact with the brethren of those two organizations so it has happened this is why we so much appreciate this fraternal spirit. It has happened that your lodges in Northern Alberta have been so kindly disposed towards our brethren in these two points and we are very very appreciative of that fact.

Now I notice from your report that sometime last year you held a sort of Grand Lodge Communication in my Lodge in Ft. St. John. I know it was organized and arranged by a very good friend of mine and ours, M.W. Bro. Sam Harris. I do hope M.W. Grand Master that those who succeed you in the years to come will follow your example and if you so desire to hold these Grand Communications in the jurisdiction of British Columbia I will do my best to see that my successor will grant that without the necessary dispensations. I appreciate the fact you honored my brethren in Ft. St. John and Dawson Creek with a delightful and exceedingly pleasant, enjoyable and constructive meeting at their place.

Now, M. W. Grand Master your said something the other day about non-essential individuals. I happen to be one of those who will very shortly be a non-essential to some extent anyways in Freemasonry. The Grand Jurisdiction of British Columbia will meet in Annual Communication on Thursday next, June 21st, in Vancouver City in the Hotel Vancouver. Two days or a day or so after the opening of that Communication this present Grand Master will have passed into the Great Beyond. Another will have succeeded him to carry on the work. Therefore I expect on Friday next to be one of those non-essential Freemasons of which you spoke.

Much has been said my Brethren of the troublesome times through which we are passing. In truth we are living in a sort of dangerous age. Your M.W. Grand Master in his Address referred to some words uttered by the Grand Chaplain of the M.W. Grand Lodge of California. Truly my Brethren we are men of destiny. We are picked men. We are men who have been chosen for our worth. We are the leaders of a great and a noble humanitarian effort. This world and this great province and my province of British Columbia needs so much today leaders — leaders in these philosophic movements. We have in Freemasonry a great institution for good. We have in Freemasonry a philosophy which any man can understand and a philosophy which has solved the riddle of the ability of men to live together and get along with one another. A Freemasons Lodge my Brethren has always been a symbol that the principles of truth and of right and of justice will eventually prevail. If the leaders in diplomatic circles could meet as we do around the altars of our Masonic Lodges then distrust and fear and envy

would disappear from this world, and the threat of war would be forever dispelled.

M.W. Brethren of this Grand Lodge of Alberta: you are now about to engage in a new year of activity. Whatever has happened in this past year make it past history; but make this new year of yours in Freemasonry alive and virile year of activity. Resolve in this day my Brethren and every day henceforth strive a little better to be leaders in this great cause -- to work a little harder. Be a little less selfish, a little more charitable and a little more inclined to help the other fellow and put your neighbor occasionally on the back. Let the electricity of your own efforts find a connecting link in the fellowship of men; let your hearts be full of sunshine and keep a smile always on your face. You will then, by promoting the principles and precepts taught in all our craft lodges, be nearing and approaching the great aim of our institution to be happy ourselves and to communicate happiness to others.

M.W. Grand Master it has been a great honor and indeed a special privilege to be here and participate in this annual Communication of this Grand Lodge of Alberta. It is my own personal and fervent prayer that this Grand Lodge continue as leaders of this great work; that it will become a power for good in this Province of Alberta.

In conclusion I would like to invite you M.W. Grand Master and any other associated with you who can make the journey next week to be present as my guest at our annual Communication in Vancouver. I will promise we will endeavour to give you a pleasant and constructive and enjoyable time. I thank you so much M.W. Grand Master. I told you last night at the table I am not going to say good-bye but just au revoir!"

REPORT ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

In presenting this Report your Committee realizes it is only right it should admit again its activities have been kept in abeyance pending the time that a real and earnest desire has been expressed by a large number of lodges for Masonic Research and Education.

As soon as the Grand Lodge feels there are a number of constituent lodges requesting papers on Masonic subjects suitable for reading and discussion within the lodge your present Committee, and we have no doubt its successor, will endeavour to arrange for a series of articles which, it is hoped, will be appreciated by the brethren.

However, it should be borne in mind such papers, while they may be freely and gladly prepared by well-skilled brethren require

considerable time and thought in their preparation, and also would impose quite an expense on the Grand Lodge in printing, mailing, etc.

Until the need is sufficiently strong to justify this labor and expense your Committee would suggest to the Master and secretary of each lodge to remind their brethren, especially those who have recently received their Master Mason's apron, of the facilities of the Grand Lodge library, and that these books are available for lending to every brother, free of charge, on proper application being made by the secretary of the lodge to the Grand Librarian.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

MALCOLM J. BRODIE,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of V.W. Bro. M. J. Brodie (63), and seconded by R.W. Bro. F. Whitfield (7): "That the Report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education be received and adopted."

At this point the Grand Master invited M.W. John Martland to give a brief resume of his recent visit to the Old Land.

An Address by E.W. Bro. John Martland, P.G.M.

"M.W. Grand Master and Brethren, I want at the outset to make this statement: that I find it very difficult indeed to get in all I could tell you and all that happened the six months I was in the Old Land and to condense that into a matter of ten minutes or a quarter of an hour. On Saturday I worked on it and passed up a very good game of bowls and on Sunday I worked on it till five o'clock. This is the result. I hope it will be of some interest. I want to assure you Brethren there is much that has been omitted due to the lack of time. I arrived in Liverpool on Friday the 13th of October. I did not let that worry me too much although we did have bad weather. The following day — evening — before I properly got my land legs I visited a lodge with one of my nephews out in Stockport where I was staying known as Vernon Lodge No. 5117. The Director of Ceremonies happened to be a Past Grand Lodge Officer and I thought he was not any too kindly about it. Ultimately I was very privileged to go in and see the work. I arranged for an appointment with the Grand Master of the old Province of Cheshire. As a result of my interview I received several invitations. Also through the Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. Sydney White I had invitations in the south. One or two was as the result of Sir Ernest Cooper, President of the Board of General Purposes of the United Grand Lodge of England. As I visited some of these lodges I had many other invitations as a result. Sometimes I attended as many as four lodges in a week. I think that was pretty good going in my time of life. The total invitations from Craft and others numbered 100. I attended forty Craft Lodges. I attended two meetings of United Grand Lodge of England and I attended one

meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge for Lancashire, eastern division. Having got these statistics off my mind I will give you briefly some of the outstanding occasions. First of all the United Grand Lodge which took place on the 6th of December, Wednesday, 1950, of course. The attendance on that occasion was 1974 and as you will realize from what you have already heard, Brethren, I want to assure you it was a very sad occasion. You can well understand the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, the Duke of Devonshire just recently passed on and the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master the Earl of Scarborough had to take over. I thought he handled the situation very well indeed. There is much I would like to say about it but I will be satisfied with just making this remark. Just before he closed his Grand Lodge meeting the R.W. the Acting Grand Master said this: "Brethren before we close Grand Lodge I would like to say one word of very warm welcome to a visiting brother from Canada, M.W. Bro. John Martland, Past Grand Master of Alberta. This Most Worshipful Brother whom we are delighted to see with us today is our representative near that Grand Lodge of Alberta which rendered us such great assistance during the war and I can assure him of a very warm welcome." Naturally applause followed.

I might mention in passing too that I had the privilege as a result of that of being invited afterwards into the Grand Officers Mess where there was a very nice luncheon put on with all the trimmings that go with it, that I think our M.W. Grand Master referred to when we were at Ft. St. John.

The following day, the Thursday, I attended a memorial service at Westminster Abbey for the Most Worshipful the late Duke of Devonshire and I was very pleased to receive a special invitation signed by the Dean of Westminster Abbey which permitted me to sit in the choir stalls next to some of the choir boys and hear the lovely singing. I could go on with that for about an hour. Suffice it to say I brought with me a copy of the order of service and I have thought it might be useful to put in the archives of this Grand Lodge.

Again on the 7th of March, 1951 I attended the United Grand Lodge Court of Communication when on that occasion there were present 2306. The election of the Grand Master, the Earl of Scarborough took place and the thing which surprised me was the fact that after his election had been declared he was brought in under escort and immediately placed in the chair and from then on he was Grand Master in spite of the fact he had not been installed and set about his duties as Grand Master. And amongst them he then appointed his Deputy Grand Master who happens to be the Earl of Derby. Both these brethren are quite young — I think the New Grand Master is in the very early fifties. The Deputy Grand Master is in his early thirties so they are expecting that they should have real results without any catastrophe in the immediate future. If time permitted one might be excused for giving a graphic description of the Peace Memorial Temple on the site of the old

Masonic Tavern of 1775. The building has a frontage of 300 feet on Queens Street and 212 feet on Wild Street with a tower 160 feet high. It contains 151 rooms with 17 lodge rooms of varied sizes and designs. I had the privilege of being conducted through the Temple by one of the assistants to the Grand Secretary.

The entrance vestibule is a square compartment with marble walls and floors. From here up the circular staircase, also of marble, one reaches the first floor with three compartments which form the approach to the Temple proper and consist of the first vestibule with the Memorial window and shrine, the registration room and the assembly vestibule, giving access as I said a moment ago to the Temple. Each compartment is adorned with marble floors, walls and columns. The coffered ceilings are decorated in blue and gold. The Portal to the Temple is of white statuary marble surmounted by the arms of United Grand Lodge of England, enclosing the double doors of bronze bearing eight panels descriptive of the building of King Solomon's Temple. These doors measure 12 feet by 8 feet in two leaves, each cast in one piece and weighing $1\frac{1}{4}$ tons and I mean long tons and they are so beautifully adjusted on their bearings they can be opened with ease. There again one might go on for an indefinite period.

Within the bronze doors is the Grand Temple 123 feet long, 90 feet wide and 62'6" high. The two most striking objects are the handsome throne and pedestal of the Grand Master. They are of gilt with coverings of silk damask of exquisite workmanship. The chairs of the Deputy Grand Master and the two Grand Wardens are of appropriate design and complete a magnificent suite of furniture. The color scheme of the great room is mainly blue, gold and cream. Above is a beautiful coved ceiling illuminated by heavenly bodies. Below is a mosaic cove illuminated by concealed lights. The cove consists of a background of blue and gold upon which are depicted four allegorical and angelic figures representing the four cardinal virtues: temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice. The whole being linked up by an appropriate inscription. The seating is arranged on the floors, balconies and dais with tip-up seats. The floor is covered with dark blue carpets, except the gangways which are of marble inlaid with rubber. The steps and borders of the dais are of rare white statuary marble. The hangings and curtains are of English silk with gold and silver threads, the patterns being adaptations of old Florentine and Venetian designs.

The three manual organ is placed at the top of the dais in the rear of the Grand Master's throne. The illumination is arranged to give a diffused soft glow with no individual light visible. The room is air-conditioned.

The foregoing is a rather sketchy description with some items of interest necessarily omitted. I spent most of two days wandering through the library and museum where one finds quite a display of old aprons, craft and otherwise; old jewels of various designs; old firing lasses, mugs, jugs, state swords of Grand Lodge,

snuff boxes, old watches, banners and numerous other things which go to make a most interesting collection of a very educational character. One must see it to thoroughly appreciate the vast collection of exhibits.

On the 30th of November, 1950 I attended the annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Lancashire, eastern division, held in Albert Hall, Manchester. We opened at 4 p.m. The attendance was 2,500 and the dinner was set for 6 p.m. in the Masonic Temple in Manchester. Two hours and their business was over Brethren. It is surprising the way they get through it.

On Tuesday the 31st of November, 1950 I attended a Consecration of Townfield Lodge No. 7,024, at Bowdon. Alterincham, Ches. I had an invitation to the luncheon at 12:45 p.m. and the Consecration at 3 p.m. with the Provincial Grand Master in Charge, followed by the Installation of officers of the Lodge by the Deputy Grand Master, followed later by dinner.

I would submit here, M.W. Grand Master, that someone might look over the copy of the ceremony used on that occasion. To me it was a most dignified affair and I think we might get much out of it to improve our own ceremony of Consecration.

The Royal Colonial Institute Lodge No. 3,556 which is held at the City Livery Club, Sion College, Victorian Embankment, on the top it says formed for the purpose of enhancing the ties of Empire and Craft and as an additional bond between the resident and non-resident fellows and members of the Royal Empire Society (formerly the Royal Colonial Institute)." One of our distinguished Brethren, a few moments ago mentioned about going to a lodge where there were colored brethren. The first time I went to this lodge I saw two Chinese brethren there and nobody thought anything about it. Looking at the list of officers there you have a regular galaxy of men. The Immediate Past Master is the Right Hon. Earl Newell and several other distinguished brethren. I think I got that invitation through Sir Ernest Cooper and I made a special visit to London to attend the first time. I had the privilege of attending it again immediately following attending Grand Lodge on my second visit there.

I just mention a couple of historical lodges I visited. The first one is that of Anchor and Hope No. 37 in Bolton, established in 1732, The other is Relief Lodge No. 43 established in 1733. Both these Lodges worked originally under a deputation as they called it. Then later on, some years after, at the union, they got their Warrant. Bolton, of course, claims to be the cradle of present day Freemasonry in Lancashire. This Lodge, Anchor and Hope, has had a continuous existence in Bolton from 1732. At this early stage food was cheap. The staple food was bannock and oatmeal loaves. The wages averaged fifteen shillings a week, beef, mutton and veal were two pence and two and one half pence per pound; pork was three pence; a goose cost one shilling and sixpence. A duck cost eightpence; eggs were forty for one shilling; milk, halfpenny per

quart; ale, twopence per quart and clogs were in general use. Bolton has a good Masonic research and study society. As a result of my visit there the editor of Transactions asked me if I was free on a certain day because they said "we would like you to give us a talk on Freemasonry in Canada to this study club." I said I would on one condition; I had no means of transportation; I suggested if they would provide a car I would do it and they did and we went.

Relief Lodge No. 42 has a Warrent dated 3rd of July 1733. The Lodge was actually constituted 26th of July 1733. This Warrant is the only one in existence issued by the Earl of Strathmore during his term of office as Grand Master. The seal is perfect, though cracked, and contains the official arms of the "Moderns" Grand Lodge. It has the earliest set of Lodge rules now extant in Lancashire. Among the treasures of the Lodge still in use are an old Chippendale chair purchased 27th of December 1769 now used by the Worshipful Master, two old Chippendale chairs used by Senior Warden and Junior Warden purchased 3rd May 1791. I saw all these, Brethren. They also are pleased to show visitors — it is not there during Lodge meetings — an old painting which portrays "Old Molly" falling through the ceiling to the Lodge rooms where brethren are meeting.

On the 15th of March, 1951 I attended a meeting of the Bristol Masonic Society and heard a lecture on "The Masonic Pilgrims Progress" by Worshipful Brother J. H. Poad.

The following night I attended a meeting of the Lodge Virtue and Industry No. 4,701 when the First Degree was conferred on two candidates. I mention here, Brethren, that they used the writing test after the First Degree ceremony similar to what was provided in our own old ritual but has apparently been abandoned.

That is probably one of the little differences as far as the First Degree is concerned.

The following night, 17th of March, I attended a meeting of Whitsun Lodge No. 2,943 when the work was in the Third Degree. I found it was made up of Canadian Rite and English York Rite.

On our way out on board ship we had a meeting of Masons. I happened to mention to the steward in the dining room "do you know if there are any Masons on board?" and immediately he put out his hand. I said what lodge and he said in Liverpool. I told him where my home lodge was. We saw the purser and he said he would be very glad to put a note in one of the morning bulletins and as a result we had 18 brethren show up and we were welcomed by Captain Dobson who happened to be a Mason, a member of Canada Lodge and he gave me a letter of introduction to Sir Ernest Cooper and also a letter to his uncle who lived just outside Bristol, so I could contact the brethren there because I wanted to see some of the Bristol work. On the way back on the same boat, knowing the ropes now, we had another meeting and had 21 brethren present.

Before I go on to the balance which will only take me a minute or two I would like to say this, that just before I left the Old Land I was asked to go out and see the Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire, R.W. Bro. Parslow and on that occasion he took out one of the Bibles that they use out there. The thing I like about their presentation Bible is they put it on top of the regular Lodge Bible and the candidate is obligated on that little Bible he is to be later presented with. I was presented with one and he put his autograph in it in appreciation of some of the work I did in his Province by going to the various lodges.

As a final climax, M.W. Grand Master, I attended Hazel Lodge No. 4,371 on the 8th of February, Thursday, 1951 and on that occasion they were trying to sell a brochure they made up of the installation of the Provincial Grand Master by the late Duke of Devonshire to help out their Festival funds which was coming on in the next two or three months. I purchased one for my own use and put it in my archive but these brethren and the Worshipful Master conceived the idea that probably it would be a nice gesture if one were passed around and the various brethren there would autograph it and then I was asked after if I would present it to the Grand Lodge of Alberta. And so M.W. Grand Master I present that through you to the Grand Lodge so that it may be placed in the library. Thank you, Brethren, for your patient hearing."

The Grand Master: "On your behalf I wish to extend to M.W. John Martland my deep appreciation for his very valuable and wonderful representation of the Freemasons of Alberta to the Freemasons of England and now with reversal the representation of the Mother Grand Lodge of England to us members of this Grand Lodge, presenting us with these wonderful records for our archives. These are wonderful records which are deeply appreciated and his resume of his trip throughout the Grand Lodge Jurisdiction of England was very thoroughly, sincerely, beautifully given and received."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald, P.G.M., Chairman of Committee submitted recommendations to change the Constitution as follows:

Sec. 14 — 4th line: Delete "Grand Secretary".

Sec. 15 — Delete the entire paragraph, and substitute the following: "The Grand Secretary shall be appointed by the Board of General Purposes, subject to the confirmation of Grand Lodge."

Sec. 16 — 1 and 2: Delete "other than that of Grand Master."

Sec. 17 — 4th and 5th lines: Delete "with names in alphabetical order in the following form," and substitute: "The order of the names appearing on the ballot shall be changed for each fifty ballots printed. The forms of the ballot shall be as follows."

Sec. 55a -- He shall receive such compensation as Grand Lodge may decide.

Sec. 101a — Addition: The Board shall have power to appoint an Assistant Grand Secretary. He shall receive such compensation as the Board shall determine. He shall be under the direction of the Grand Secretary.

Sec. 123 — 3rd and 4th lines: Delete (subject to the provisions of Section 15 thereof). Line 7: Delete "a two-thirds vote of the members present" and substitute "The Grand Master."

Sec. 131 — 3rd, 5th and 6th lines — per capita fees to Grand Lodge: Delete \$1.30 and substitute \$1.50. Delete 80c to The General Fund" and substitute \$1.25 to the General Fund. Delete 50c to the "Relief Fund" and substitute .25c to the "Relief Fund." 7th and 9th lines: Delete "Subordinate."

A Brother: M.W. Sir May I ask what the "Relief Fund" is about?
M.W. Bro. Macdonald: "The relief fund has a substantial amount in it at the present time, therefore we thought the general assessment could be changed so that only 25c be put in the Relief Fund and \$1.25 in the General Fund which required the money.

M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore: "May I have the date when the amendment to Sec. 131 becomes effective — say, December?"

M.W. Bro. Macdonald: It would go on the December Returns.

M.W. Bro. Moore: Could I get a motion on that, or include it in your recommendation.

M.W. Bro. Macdonald: Effective December 31st, 1951. Sec. 142 — 2nd line: Delete "The Immediate Past Master."

R.W. Bro. T. S. Jeffrey: M.W. Sir: Personally I think this should be eliminated from your suggestion to the Committee. I do not see that it serves any purpose by changing the order of our offices. We must realize that the Immediate Past Master is the right hand man of the Master. When I say that I also know that the Senior Warden is the Brother who takes his place in his absence but at the same time I do not think we should take away that little honor from the Immediate Past Master. This was discussed in our lodge and I am speaking for the lodge as well as for myself. Personally I think it should remain as it is.

M.W. Bro. Macdonald: "Will you move that it be dropped?"

V.W. Bro. Miles Robinson: "I would very much like to second that motion. In my experience the Immediate Past Master -- if you dropped him out of your list I know it means nothing one way or another — if you do I think he would feel he is being passed over. We have found in past years the Immediate Past Master has been of great assistance to the Senior Warden. The other Past Masters are always willing to help but he had the peculiar position of being right at hand to the Senior Warden if he takes over. I would very much like to see it continued. MOVED by R.W. Bro. T. S. Jeffrey, seconded by V. W. Bro. Miles Robinson "That Sec. No. 142 be not

approved" CARRIED. (The recommendation to Delete "The Immediate Past Master" from Section 142 was not proceeded with).

Sec. 159 — 2nd line: Delete "particular" and after the word "business" insert "proper thereto."

Sec. 188 — 2nd line: Delete "Twenty-five Dollars" and substitute "Forty Dollars."

Sec. 201 — Delete entire paragraph and substitute the following: "If a Lodge notifies an accepted petitioner to present himself for initiation, and the said petitioner fails to appear within six months, then a new petition and ballot shall be required."

Sec. 226 — 1st line: Delete "by Bylaw".

A Brother: "Is that wording delete "by Bylaw" — is the Constitution very clear on requirements for life member? In our particular lodge there are many applications for life membership. We have it covered by Bylaw."

M.W. Bro. Macdonald: "Still follow your Bylaw. Do not change your Bylaw. This provides for those who have no Bylaw dealing with life members."

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Bro. H. B. Macdonald (83), seconded by M.W. Brother F. P. Galbraith (29), "That the changes in the Constitution outlined in the Report of the Special Committee on the Revision of the Constitution be received and approved, except that of Section No. 142, which will remain as at present and the words "effective July 1st, 1951" be added to the amendment of Section No. 131."

The Grand Master: "At this time I would like to bring to you a dearest Brother from Saskatchewan, M.W. Bro. Hedley Auld."

ADDRESS

By M.W. Brother Hedley Auld, Grand Master of Saskatchewan

"Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren: I appreciate very much the courtesy of your Grand Master and the pleasure it affords me to be received formally. I hope I can help your proceeding by dispensing with all formality. We are very close to the Grand Lodge of Alberta. We are almost twin Grand Lodges of Canada in that our respective jurisdictions were established within a very few months of each other. We are both looking forward to celebrating a half century of Masonic progress. We have only gone so far to appoint a committee to make the necessary arrangements. I have been really pleased to have had the opportunity of representing my Grand Lodge here today on the first occasion I have visited the Grand Lodge of Alberta. I bring you very hearty greetings from our Grand Lodge with whom you have been in very close fraternal association through all these years. We would not feel our Grand Lodge perfect if we did not have a representative from your Grand Lodge I have been thrilled beyond words by meeting here your

very esteemed R.W. Bro. Botterill and it further strengthens the tie by the fact we have a son of one of your Past Grand Masters in Regina. It was a very fine courtesy you extended to me along with the other guests yesterday in making us Honorary members of your Grand Lodge. That is a courtesy we have regularly followed in our Grand Lodge and yours. I have a message from Fred C. Wilson upon whom you conferred the rank of Honourary Past Grand Master. He wishes me to extend greetings to your Grand Master and Past Grand Masters. Thank you for the courtesy you extended to me I had the privilege of sitting in at your Board of General Purposes meeting here on Tuesday. At that time I took the liberty of posing a thought — the possibility that this Grand Communication of Alberta might meet a week later in order that we might meet your date — the second week in June. It has been an established custom with us for many years to begin our District meetings immediately after the close of our Grand Lodge, running into the holiday season as we do in July. I believe our success could be greater if we could start a week earlier. We would be immediately following Manitoba and preceeding that of yours in Alberta. It would be a convenience for brethren who wish to attend all three Communications. We all have a common interest in the welfare of the Great Fraternity.

We speak much about the dangers of Communism. It is something we fear. Communism, after all, is just a symbol of an unrest in this world of ours. The great leader, General Jan Smuts, a few years ago, made a remark to the effect that mankind had again struck its tents and was on the march. I feel there are many people who feel that this is the effort of Communism to capitalize on the discontent of many backward people who have not had the benefits we enjoy. This is an enemy that cannot be controlled by arms, ammunition and atomic bombs. It is something that can only be combatted by better ideas. We have those better ideas in Freemasonry and Democracy and Christian religion. If we who are Freemasons practise these precepts outside the lodge, notably to live the Golden Rule in our community and national life, we will present a greater threat to Communism. The great English nurse Edith Cavell, when death was facing her, said "Patriotism is not enough." I think we as brethren of Freemasonry must take a broad outlook if we are going to escape the bondage of Communism. We have a special responsibility in this respect.

It has been a real pleasure to be with you. If some day your Grand Master should be made an Indian Chief as is sometimes done with distinguished persons, I am sure the Indians would give him a name meaning "Great Heart." To him and his successor and your Grand Lodge Officers and Grand Lodge I offer our hopes towards a very great and bright future."

The Grand Master: "We deeply appreciate your presence here and thanks for your sincere and fraternal remarks. It means so much to have you with us. We appreciate your many kindnesses and your attention to our problems. We are very happy to receive those wonderful and very loveable expressions of yours as to the

relationship between your Grand Lodge and ours. I could inform you that at one time I was made chief of the Stony Tribe at Morley. I was called Chief Smiling Face."

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

(1) **M.W. Bro. H. B. MacDonald:** "At the next Annual Communication I shall move or cause to be moved that in Section 28 the word "second" in the second line be deleted and the word "third" inserted which will mean our Grand Communication shall meet on the third Wednesday instead of the second. This will conform with the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

(2) **R.W. Brother Ernest Ross** (151) gave notice that at the next Regular Communication he would Move a contribution be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Relations and correspondence wish to report that they have received invitations from the following Grand Lodges requesting fraternal recognition:

Gran Logia de Honduras; Gran Logia De Los EEstados de Venezuela; Grande Loja Do Piani, Brazil; Gran Logia De Peru; Gran Logia Masoneria Argentina; Grand Lodge of China; Grand Orient de Belgique; Grande Orient of Italy; The Grand Lodge of Israel.

The situation throughout the world is in such a chaotic condition that we, at this distance are not in a position to fully appreciate the situation. However, as we have in the past decided that we will not grant recognition to any Grand Lodge which is not in full Fraternal Relation with the Grand Lodge of England, Ireland and Scotland. These Grand Bodies have not seen fit to grant recognition, therefore your Committee recommend that recognition be deferred.

We acknowledge receipts of Proceedings of the many Grand Lodges with whom we are in fraternal relations and express our thanks for these. In order to make the Review of these proceedings more interesting and of greater benefit to our Lodges it is proposed to try a topical review this year, and your committee will appreciate any comments from the Lodges of this effort.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

Wm. IRELAND,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on Motion of M.W. Brother William Ireland, seconded by R.W. Brother A. J. Davis, "That the Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINEERS

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Scrutineers for the Election of Officers report as follows:

The following Officers were elected by acclamation:

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Waldo F. Empey (51)
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard (28)
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson (8)
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. A. J. Davis (23)
Grand Secretary	M.W. Bro. George Moore (23)

The following Officers were elected by ballot:

Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Peter Dawson (84)
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. McL. Campbell (134)
Grand Registrar	R.W. Bro. E. H. Rivers (51)

The ballot of the Board of General Purposes resulted as follows:

R.W. Bro. Don McQueen	(74)
R.W. Bro. George W. Bureau	(134)
R.W. Bro. Harold W. Bell	(53)
R.W. Bro. Reg. F. Lawrence	(87)
R.W. Bro. W. H. Williams	(2)
V.W. Bro. S. G. Bannan	(86)
V.W. Bro. C. M. McLeod	(142)
W. Bro. J. Elvin Tupper	(7)

For the Board of Benevolence, the following were elected for two years:

M.W. Bro. William Ireland	(9)
R.W. Bro. George F. Bureau	(134)
R.W. Bro. J. J. Petrie	(28)

and V.W. Bro. Frank Pearce (137) was elected by open vote as Grand Tyler.

RESOLVED on motion of W.M. Brother William Ireland, (9) seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Davis (23), "That the Report of the Board of Scrutineers be received and adopted and the Committee discharged."

The Grand Master then declared these Brethren elected and expressed his great appreciation to the Scrutineers for the time they put in counting the ballots. The Brethren showed their appreciation with applause.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RECEPTION

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials are pleased to report that we find there are 477 members and 55 Master Masons registered present at this Communication, carrying a total voting strength of 632 consisting of 74 W.Ms. with 171 votes, 35 S.Ws. with 58 votes, 21 J.Ws. with 28 votes, 348 Past Masters with 348 votes, and 9 Proxies with 27 votes.

121 Chartered Lodges are represented. 31 Chartered Lodges are without representation.

Details of representation are as follows:

No.	Lodge Name	Votes					
1.	Bow River	1	0	1	14	0	17
2.	Medicine Hat	1	1	0	3	0	6
3.	Alberta	1	0	0	3	0	6
4.	North Star	1	0	0	0	0	3
5.	Cascade	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
6.	Spitzie	1	0	0	1	0	4
7.	Edmonton	1	0	0	7	0	10
8.	Innisfail	1	0	0	2	0	5
9.	Perfection	1	1	1	8	0	11
10.	Eureka	0	0	0	6	1	9
11.	Acacia	1	1	1	7	0	10
12.	Red Deer	1	0	0	4	0	7
13.	Victoria	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
14.	Jasper	1	0	0	2	0	5
15.	Wetaskiwin	1	0	1	2	0	4
16.	Mountain View	0	1	0	2	0	4
17.	Nanton	0	0	0	7	0	7
18.	Britannia	1	0	0	1	0	3
19.	Cornerstone	1	1	0	2	0	5
20.	Carstairs	1	0	0	1	0	4
21.	King Hiram	1	1	1	2	0	5
22.	Corinthian	0	1	0	0	0	3
23.	Calgary	1	1	0	9	0	12
24.	Vermilion	0	0	0	2	0	2
25.	St. John's	1	1	0	3	0	5
26.	Sentinel	1	0	0	3	0	6
27.	Apollo	1	0	0	9	0	12
28.	Ashlar	0	0	0	8	0	8
29.	Kenilworth	1	0	0	8	0	11
30.	Summit	1	0	0	1	0	4
31.	Doric	1	0	0	0	0	3

32.	Cairo	1	0	0	1	0	4
33.	Stavely	0	0	1	3	0	6
34.	Star of the West	0	0	0	3	0	3
35.	Mizpah	1	1	0	3	0	6
36.	Gleichen	0	0	0	1	0	1
37.	Camrose	0	0	0	1	0	1
38.	Hope	0	0	0	2	1	5
39.	Lethbridge	1	0	0	1	0	4
40.	Joppa	0	0	0	0	0	4
41.	King Solomon	1	1	1	3	0	6
42.	Bowden	0	0	0	2	1	5
43.	Tuscan	1	1	0	2	0	4
44.	Buffalo Park	0	0	0	1	0	1
45.	Ionic	1	0	0	1	0	4
46.	Palestine	0	1	0	1	0	4
47.	Chinook	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
48.	Crossfield	1	0	0	1	0	4
49.	Robert Burns	1	0	0	2	0	5
50.	Comet	1	0	1	1	0	3
51.	Unity	1	0	0	8	0	11
53.	Strathmore	1	0	0	6	0	9
54.	Mount Lebanon	1	0	0	3	0	6
55.	Bassano	0	0	0	2	0	2
56.	Beaver	0	1	0	2	0	5
57.	Grassy Lake	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
58.	Chief Mountain	0	0	0	1	0	1
59.	King George	0	0	1	9	0	12
60.	Acme	0	1	0	2	0	5
61.	Provost	0	1	0	0	0	3
62.	Melrose	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
63.	Empire	1	0	0	3	0	6
64.	Bow Island	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
65.	Diamond City	1	1	0	1	0	4
66.	St. Andrew's	1	1	1	3	0	6
67.	Charity	1	0	0	0	0	3
68.	Edson	1	0	1	3	0	6
69.	Connaught	0	0	0	0	0	N.T.
70.	Quarry	1	0	0	1	0	4
71.	Tawatinau	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
72.	Coronation	1	1	0	1	0	4
73.	Brooks	1	1	0	3	0	6
74.	Vulcan	1	1	0	2	0	5
75.	Harmony	0	1	0	1	0	4
76.	Fidelity	1	0	0	4	0	7
77.	Strathcona	1	0	0	2	0	5
78.	Hanna	0	0	0	2	1	5
79.	Morning Star	0	0	0	1	0	1
80.	Excelsior	0	0	0	1	0	1
81.	Commercial	0	0	0	2	1	5
82.	Acadia	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
83.	Zetland	1	0	1	12	0	15
84.	Champion	0	0	0	4	0	4

85.	Rocky Mountain	1	1	0	1	0	4
87.	Crescent	1	0	0	12	0	15
88.	Wahpun	0	0	0	2	0	2
89.	Peace River	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
90.	Norwood	1	0	0	0	0	3
91.	Patricia	0	0	0	4	1	7
92.	Saskatchewan	0	0	0	3	0	3
93.	Symbol	0	0	1	4	0	7
94.	Lamont	1	0	0	0	0	3
95.	Kitchener	1	0	0	3	0	6
96.	Dynamic	1	1	0	3	0	5
97.	Albion	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
98.	Hand Hill	0	1	1	0	0	3
100.	Century	1	1	1	2	0	5
101.	West Edmonton	1	0	0	3	0	6
102.	Edgerton	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
103.	Foremost	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
104.	Oyen	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
105.	Grande Prairie	0	0	0	5	0	5
106.	Lake Saskatoon	0	0	0	2	0	2
107.	Carbon	0	0	0	1	1	4
108.	Pyramid	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
110.	Kilwinning	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
111.	Nobleford	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
113.	Cyprus	0	0	1	4	0	7
114.	Westlock	0	0	0	2	0	2
115.	Crocus	0	0	0	1	0	1
116.	Spirit River	0	0	0	2	0	2
117.	Dominion	1	0	0	2	0	5
118.	St. Mark's	0	0	0	6	1	9
119.	York	1	1	0	0	0	3
120.	Monitor	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
123.	Rockyford	0	0	0	1	0	1
124.	Concord	1	1	1	7	0	10
125.	Cavell	0	0	0	4	0	4
126.	Pembina	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
127.	Granite	1	0	0	1	0	4
128.	Forestburg	1	0	0	1	0	2
129.	Meridian	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
130.	Hussar	1	0	0	0	0	3
131.	Kitscoty	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
132.	Craigmyle	1	0	0	0	0	1
133.	Manyberries	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
134.	Renfrew	1	1	1	13	0	16
135.	Alliance	1	0	0	2	0	3
136.	Cresset	0	1	0	5	0	8
137.	Irricana	1	1	1	5	0	8
138.	Onoway	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
140.	Big Valley	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
141.	Efficiency	1	0	0	1	0	4
142.	Ivanhoe	1	1	0	2	0	5
143.	Jasper Park	1	0	0	1	0	4

144.	Gratton	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
145.	St. Alban's	0	0	0	1	0	1
146.	Drumheller	1	0	1	3	0	6
147.	Northland	0	1	0	0	0	3
148.	Mayerthorpe	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
151.	Lochearn	1	0	0	1	0	4
152.	Standard	1	0	0	1	0	4
153.	Whitecourt	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
154.	Waskatenau	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
156.	Hythe	0	0	1	3	0	6
157.	Sharon	0	0	0	1	1	4
158.	Berry Creek	0	1	0	1	0	4
159.	Lucerne	1	0	0	1	0	4
160.	Sexsmith	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
161.	Empress	1	1	0	2	0	5
162.	Yellowknife	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
163.	Ancient Landmark	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
164.	Gateway	1	0	0	0	0	3
U.D.	Canada	0	0	0	0	0	N.R.
		74	35	21	348	9	632

RESOLVED on Motion of V. Wor. Bro. A. J. G. Lauder, Acacia, No. 11, Seconded by Rt. Wor. Bro. O. C. Smith, Zetland, No. 83. "The Report of the Committee on Credentials and Reception be received and adopted."

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND NEW LODGES

To the M.W. The Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Charters and New Lodges respectfully beg to submit the following report:

Canada Lodge U.D. — A number of Brethren, residing in the City of Calgary made application for a Petition to form a new Lodge to be held in the City of Calgary and to be known as Canada Lodge. The completed Petition being found constitutionally correct, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master was pleased to issue a Dispensation to form such Lodge. The new Lodge was duly Instituted by R.W. Bro. Harry Mallery, D.D.G.M. of District No. 18, in which District the Lodge will be included.

At a large gathering held in the Crescent Temple, 16th Avenue N.W. at which every Lodge in the City of Calgary was represented, also the Most Worshipful the Grand Master accompanied by R.W. Bro. Rosling D.D.G.M. District No. 1, R.W. Bro. Howard, Senior Grand Warden and many other distinguished Brethren: the Institution

Ceremony was conducted by R.W. Bro. Mallory on March 14th, 1951 and Canada Lodge U.D. came into being. It commenced under favorable conditions, with capable Officers and an enthusiastic Membership, and will without doubt continue forward to become a benefit to the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. Canada Lodge U.D. has the best wishes of this Committee.

Amalgamation of Kilwinning Lodge No. 110 with Hope Lodge No. 38.

Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, which operated at Innisfree, found its ranks depleted to such an extent, with not enough resident members to form a quorum, it was virtually impossible to hold meetings. This condition was caused, mainly by an extensive influx, into the district, of people from that part of Europe where the tenets of Masonry are not appreciated, and from whom new members were neither obtainable nor desirable. Thus the Lodge found itself in a position that it was unable to carry on.

Negotiations were entered into with Hope Lodge No. 38 at Manville, and at a Meeting held on March 12th, 1951, satisfactory arrangements were consummated to effect an amalgamation and Kilwinning Lodge was officially declared amalgamated with Hope Lodge No. 38, which union it is hoped will solve the difficulty and be in the best interests of the Craft.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

W. H. JACKSON,
Chairman.

RESOLVED on the motion of R.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson (8) seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Patterson (83). That the Report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges be received and approved.

NOTE: The question was again raised regarding the appropriation of funds for the project at Medicine Hat.

The Grand Master: "The newly elected Junior Grand Warden, consider the order of business on that question was closed by you. He says if it should be your desire to re-open it to present this one defence it should be by unanimous consent. I will leave it to you. If you care, please make a motion to see if we can have it re-opened." Moved by R.W. Bro. W. J. Fisher, seconded by W. Bro. J. E. Voss that the speaker be heard regarding the Medicine Hat project.

M.W. Bro. Sam Harris: "Will that affect the decision already made? The Grand Master: "No, no. I ask all members of the Grand Lodge of Alberta to stand on this motion." The motion was unanimously carried. However W. Bro. Joe Lindsay was not present to speak on the subject.

R.W. Bro. Ernest Ross: "M.W. Grand Master, distinguished Brethren, and my Brothers: During this meeting we have received so many brilliant and glorious accounts and reports is it not possible

we may be skipping a little of the real business and work of this body. In the District Deputy Grand Masters' Reports two or three of them intimated or came out with recommendations in connection with work and employment. Our ancient brethren, as we have learned and especially told last night, formed lodges for the purpose of study and research maybe as we put it in our First Degree York Rite to make us wiser, better and consequently happier. In a great many of our lodges complacency has crept in and it was suggested by R. W. Bro. Anderson that our lodges should have more work and responsibility. Might I suggest to this Lodge, or if it is the Grand Masters pleasure I would make a motion, that we try to institute some way even if it necessitates allocating work to and through the District Deputy Grand Masters' to the constituent lodges and if it necessitates the expenditure of money that we undertake to perform some work. We have, at the present time, a need that only sincere Masons of whom we had 500 here yesterday can touch. Much greater than more men into Masonry we need more Masonry into men and it is by precept and example we can do it. With conditions today as they are if any society or organization can do the work that of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons can. If nobody else is to do the work then we are shirking our trust. We are not living up to our obligations or we are not justifying our existence. The rest of humanity, including a lot of Masons, is suffering greatly. Can we do any better than to assist the Canadian Cancer Society, Alberta Division, in the marvellous work they have started this year. They need financial assistance. We have some money not doing any good. M.W. Grand Master, is a motion necessary?"

The Grand Master: "You can make any motions you desire. It would be nice to have something transacted under this order of business."

R.W. Bro. Ernest Ross: "M.W. Grand Master, I move that the incoming Grand Master, through his officers, delegate real Masonic work to the lay brethren in the constituent lodges and that we make a token contribution to the Canadian Cancer Society, Alberta Division, of \$30,000.00, a figure which is tentative. They are spending about \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00 this year which is practically all the money they have collected during this last six and one half years. Our money now might do a lot of good there. It could at least raise the morale of the rank and file of Freemasons."

The Grand Master: "My Brother, it would be better if you would re-write it in two motions. One, Masonic education, and the second, a prayer through the Grand Lodge it might be possible to set up a gift to the Cancer Fund. One could be acted on here and the other follow the right channels."

MOVED by R.W. Bro. Ernest Ross, seconded by W. Bro. W. L. Perley, "That the in-coming Grand Master, through his Officers, delegate real Masonic work to the Brethren in Constituent Lodges." In regard to the suggestion that a heavy donation be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, the question was asked by

The Grand Master: "Is the last part a motion or is it to be left as a thought?" "We could not expend that money from this body unless there was due notice of motion. We accept it as a notice of motion for next year."

R.W. Bro. Ernest Ross: "I hereby give notice of motion that at the next regular Communication we will move a resolution to assist the Canadian Cancer Society and I would like to speak to the brethren present here and ask them to consult in their own lodges regarding this matter which is affecting many men and women and the increase in cancer in the last few years is very great. We have a number of medical men in our Brotherhood. Among medical men we find a great difference of opinion. A lot of rural and town doctors want to keep the Cancer Society out. Apparently they want us to suffer in misery."

A number of M.W. Brethren in the East: "Oh no, oh no."

The Grand Master: "Your notice of motion is kindly received. We accept it."

W. Bro. Joe Lindsay reported to the Grand Master to speak on the subject of the Medicine Hat project.

W. Bro. Joe Lindsay: "M.W. the Grand Master, all members of the Grand Lodge and distinguished visitors: I speak in defence of Rt. W. Bro. Joe Marsh relative to the committee on the old men's home which was established last October in Medicine Hat. As chairman of the committee myself, not Joe Marsh, we were asked to propose or produce facts relative to this old men's home with a view if we had a proposition it might be entertained by Grand Lodge to buy the property so desired. The only means we have of communicating with members of District No. 2 was by that call and as chairman I allowed that circular to be circulated asking them if they were in favor. This was contrary to the constitution of Grand Lodge and I assumed all responsibility for that letter. I hope to make this clear: that it was not W.B. Joe Marsh who — he assisted — but as chairman of the committee it was myself who was responsible for the letter. We were trying to feel them out as to whether they wanted it or not. In so doing two things got confused. First of all, Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2 and District No. 2; consequently a lot of members thought Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2 was trying to put it over instead of District No. 2. W. B. Marsh has assumed all the criticism for the action taken by this committee and I wish to point out to you, M.W. Grand Master that I am responsible more than W. Bro. Marsh for the circulating of that correspondence or letter or whatever you may call it. We had some very good responses from it and it was not the principle of the Old Men's Home they objected to; it was the method taken in administering it. I hope this explains the controversy there has been over this. I hope also whoever is here and hear any more about this will relieve R.W. Bro. Marsh of any responsibility."

The Grand Master: "Please Worshipful Brother, believe me I do not know how this all happened. I do not think it should have

happened and wish it hadn't. We all do sympathize with you. It is a beautiful thought and idea. We are all sorry for the whole thing.

ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. Percy Doles — Grand Master of Montana

I assure you this will not be very long and this is one of the non-essentials which could have been left off very, very well. I just want to say two or three things. We are very happy to be here in this meeting under the Grand Architect of the Universe and the Grand Architect of Humanity. As we are on the boundary line to the South I want to say I noticed on the map yesterday we absorb the whole connection you have with the United States. We have that whole line to the South. We are very proud of our connection with the Grand Lodge of Alberta. You know geographical lines are not political in so far as Masonry is concerned; there are no political recognitions. Your problems are probably the same as ours. I will not attempt to tell you anything about Masonry because you have two many men posted on that and current events, particularly your M.W. Grand Master, George Moore, Sam Harris, John Martland, Wm. Ireland and some others. I particularly enjoyed the report John Martland gave on the architecture in the Masonic Grand Lodge in England. I want to extend greetings of the Grand Lodge of Montana to the Grand Lodge of Alberta. A welcome is extended to you to attend the Grand Lodge Communication at Butte on the 20th August. I am particularly proud and happy to have with me the Grand Tyler of Montana, V.W. Bro. Frank E. Van de Mark who is well and favorably known to many of you. I might say Bro. Van de Mark is a Past Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Chapter of Montana. At the present time he is Potentate of the Shrine.

We have a Grand Master's ring in Montana which passes on to our Grand Master. The only provision is we have to read the names of all who have worn it; it will be the 64th name in August. M.W. Bro. LeRoy Bond has been a very fine friend of ours. I first met him at the Montana Grand Lodge last year and then at Banff and the Centennial celebration at San Francisco and in Washington and about a month ago we had him at Lewistown. I want to express my appreciation of being elected a Honourary Past Grand Master of this Jurisdiction. Also my appreciation for the hospitality and courtesy extended to my wife and I, the banquets, music, and flowers and entertainment. I do not know whether you fully appreciate how fortunate you have been to have a man like LeRoy Bond as your Grand Master.

The Grand Master: Thank you for your kind message. I can assure you that we appreciate your being here. I appreciate personally the many kind thoughts expressed by those Brethren in Lewistown for that visit I made to them.

ADDRESS**V. Wor. Bro. Frank E. Van de Mark, Grand Tyler, Grand Lodge of Montana**

M.W. Grand Master, Distinguished East and Brethren. It is a pleasure on my part to be with this Grand Communication. I felt it a real pleasure as Grand Tyler to be sitting in the Lodge hall. It is also a real pleasure to be made an honorary member of this Grand Lodge. Regarding these international visits it is my privilege to be residing just south of the Border and during the years past we have had some mighty fine visitations. Lodges of this jurisdiction come down across the Border and we hold international night. They invited the lodges from our jurisdiction to come here and exemplify the work. The same thing happens in the Council of Royal Select Masters. The same applies to the Royal Arch. They have got me so interested in Royal Arch Masonry I never miss a session of the Grand Lodge. In our section we are known as the foreign jurisdiction. They refer to us in that way because they do not know where we are at. I thank you.

WANDS

MOVED by Rt. W. Bro. R. F. Lawrence, seconded by Rt. W. Bro. John Booth that this Grand Lodge instructs that suitable stands be provided for the wands presented by M.W. Bro. Martland for the use of the Grand Director of Ceremonies and the Grand Deacons. CARRIED.

The Grand Master: In closing I may say I appreciated your cooperation and respect in being your Grand Master. If I have assisted you in any way to be happy and to advance Masonic knowledge I am more pleased than I can tell you. Thanks.

EXPLANATION

On page No. 126, Proceedings 1950, reference was made by one of the speakers, to B.C. in connection with Flood Relief. We regret that in some cases it was thought this referred to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, where as it referred to the Flood Committee — The Grand Lodge of British Columbia was never in question.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Installation of the Officers was then proceeded with M.W. Brother R. J. Bradley (51) assumed the Chair assisted by V.W. Bro. Stewart (51). Grand Director of Ceremonies. R.W. Bro. John Booth (51), an old friend and associate of the Grand Master, then presented R.W. Bro. Waldo Empey, Master elect.

R.W. Bro. Booth: I have the honor to present R.W. Bro. Waldo Empey, having been duly elected Grand Master of Masons in this Jurisdiction for the ensuing year who signifies his acceptance of the office and is in readiness to be installed therein. I would like to add, M.W. Sir, to me it is a great honor and pleasure to be asked by you to perform this duty. R.W. Bro. Empey and I have been associated Masonically for a great number of years. I was his secretary when he was Worshipful Master. I travelled with him while he was District Deputy. Even today I wear the regalia he wore while he was District Deputy. It might be of interest to the other brethren to know that this regalia I wear was first presented to yourself and from you to R.W. Bro. Empey and then down to me. R.W. Bro. Empey has been very active in the Northern part of this province. He has been closely associated with church work, being on the Board for many years of the McDougall United Church in Edmonton, a member of the Board of Alberta College for many years, very active in the work of the young people insofar as he has been President of the Y.M.C.A. and is a member of the Association at this time. I feel sure M.W. Grand Master that R.W. Bro. Waldo Empey will put all he has into his coming year and will lay down for himself the crown of joy and rejoicing that will never fail him.

At the conclusion of the Ceremony M.W. Brother R. J. Bradley (51) extended his congratulations to the newly installed Officers and remarked as follows:

M.W. Bro. R. J. Bradley: It is rather an unusual honor to be bestowed on anyone to be able to install a Brother out of his own Lodge into the Chair of the Grand Master and that has been my privilege now and I deeply appreciate it. Unity Lodge is well represented in today's proceedings. R.W. Booth, our Secretary of Unity Lodge, presented your Worshipful Master and we have several other representatives. Our Grand Director of Ceremonies is a Past Master of our Lodge and you elected the Grand Registrar, another Past Master of ours. Now Brethren I am going to ask the Director of Ceremonies to make the usual Proclamation.

M.W. Bro. Waldo Empey: Brethren: At this hour I am not going to inflict any speech on you. I just want to say a few words. In the first place I want to express a word of deep appreciation to R.W. Bro. Booth for presenting me and to M.W. Bro. Bradley for the very impressive way he installed me. I think a vote of thanks is certainly due M.W. Bro. Bradley in that he went to the great trouble of memorizing that Charge and presenting it to me in such an impressive way and when I stand here and receive that Charge as I received it from M.W. Bro. Bradley I was deeply impressed with the importance of the duties of office which I now hold. I am exceedingly grateful to all of you and all the Masons of Alberta for having elected me to this very high and important position. I only trust that I will be able to come somewhere near to discharging my duties to your satisfaction. I realize that these are times when Masonry needs to be inculcated in our midst as never before. We have in Masonry that which can solve the problems and troubles of this

world and it is for each of us to practise our Masonry to the fullest degree. I am very very grateful again for all the honors you have bestowed upon me and I shall discharge my duty to the best of my ability. I should like to say to M.W. Bro. Hedley Auld I very greatly regret I shall not be able to go to your Grand Lodge next week. I am tied up with other things which makes it impossible to go but I will go at some future time.

PRESENTATION

M.W. Bro. R. J. Bradley to M.W. Bro. Bond: Roy, this is a mark of your passing, — not to the ashcan you spoke of — but is an honor we confer on you to mark the passing of a year which has been full of real things for you and for the Craft in general throughout Alberta. We have known you, and loved you. All through the years you have been coming through these offices and in presenting you with a Past Master's Jewel showing the rank and the fact of your having passed and fulfilled the duties of Grand Master and that duty as you say isn't light; it wasn't taken lightly by you and you have covered as many or more miles than most of us. I know what it is and I know how much time you took away from your business. It is with a great deal of pleasure that we present you with this Jewel to mark our respect for you and for the service throughout the other chairs, and with the hope you will live long to enjoy the fellowship you have made. I do not know anybody who has made the deep and lasting friendships you have made.

M.W. Bro. Bond: I deeply appreciate this Jewel of Past Grand Master in this Grand Lodge of Alberta. I did want Russell Bradley to give it to me and I did not ask him. I want to thank him for this honor. I want to thank you all for everything you did to help me this year. It finished a few moments ago. Thanks for this great support.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended the Forty-Sixth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 2:40 p.m. and with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.



GEORGE MOORE,

Grand Secretary.

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In Memoriam

OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF

SISTER GRAND LODGES



"They are not dead, those loved ones who have passed
Beyond our vision for a little while,
But they have reached the light while we still grope
In darkness where we cannot see them smile . . ."

 Reverently inscribed to the Honored Dead of Sister Jurisdictions.

Jurisdiction	Name and Rank	Date of Death
England	His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England	Dec. 1950
Sweden	His Majesty, King Gustav, Grand Master of Sweden	Oct. 1950
British Columbia	William Robert Simpson, P.G.M.	Mar. 13, 1951
Colorado	Charles Lewis Young P.G.M.	Oct. 16, 1950
Costa Rica	Sergio Carbakko Romero, P.G.M.	July 17, 1950
Georgia	John Livingston Travis, P.G.M.	May 11, 1950
Idaho	Roy N. Gilbert, P.G.M.	Aug. 21, 1950
Illinois	Ralph Hulbert Wheeler, P.G.M.	Mar. 10, 1950
Indiana	Eiba Lloyd Branigin, P.G.M.	Oct. 29, 1950
Indiana	Ivory C. Tolle, G.L.	Dec. 18, 1950
Louisiana	Milton Westerfield Boylan, P.G.M.	Sept. 20, 1950
Manitoba	John Thomas Boyd, P.G.M.	June 6, 1950
Manitoba	Hugh Allison Innes, S.G.W.	July 1, 1950
Massachusetts	Arthur Dow Prince, P.G.M.	Oct. 13, 1950
Montana	Daniel J. Muri, P.G.M.	June 16, 1950
Montana	Lewis A. Smith, P.G.M.	Sept. 16, 1950
Montana	Henry C. Smith, P.G.M.	Feb. 9, 1951
Nevada	Andrew L. Haight, P.G.M.	May 7, 1950
Nevada	George A. Montrose, P.G.M.	Sept. 14, 1950
Nevada	Tracey T. Fairchild, P.G.M.	Oct. 17, 1950
Nevada	George Lee Swartz, P.G.M.	Feb. 21, 1951
North Carolina	John Bailey Owen, P.G.M.	Nov. 3, 1950
North Carolina	Frank P. Hobgood, P.G.M.	Nov. 17, 1950
North Carolina	John Jasper Phoenix, Sr., P.G.M.	Feb. 13, 1951
Oregon	Frank Seymour Baillie, P.G.M.	Mar. 27, 1951
Oregon	Carl G. Patterson, P.G.M.	May 1, 1950
Puerto Rico	Luis Munoz Morales, P.G.M.	May 20, 1950
Rhode Island	Albert Knight, P.G.M.	July 22, 1950
Saskatchewan	Ernest Cullum Bird, S.G.W.	Sept. 4, 1950
Tennessee	Addison Brown McClure, P.G.M.	June 30, 1950
Texas	Jewel P. Lightfoot, P.G.M.	July 14, 1950
Texas	George H. Belew, G.S.	Sept. 4, 1950
Washington	Alonzo E. Emerson, P.G.M.	Nov. 27, 1950
West Virginia	Charles E. Carrigan, P.G.M.	Feb. 14, 1951
Wisconsin	Charles E. Shane, P.G.M.	Apr. 7, 1950
Wisconsin	Robert O. Jaspersen, P.G.M.	Aug. 19, 1950
Wisconsin	Rudolph H. Zimmermann, G.T.	Aug. 28, 1950
Wisconsin	William Franklin Weiler, G.S.	Sept. 12, 1950
Wisconsin	Frank Jenks, P.G.M.	Jan. 6, 1951
Wyoming	William J. Hagans, P.G.M.	June 22, 1950
Wyoming	Charles Hill Roberts, G.L.	Oct. 1, 1950
Wyoming	Oscar Ole Natwick, P.G.M.	Oct. 31, 1950

In Memoriam

OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF

OUR OWN JURISDICTION



"Beautiful life is that whose span
Is spent in duty to God and Man.
Beautiful calm when the course is run,
Beautiful twilight at set of sun.
Beautiful death with a life well done."

Memorial Pages

Reverently inscribed to the Honored Dead of our own Jurisdiction

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
1	Bow River	McKelvie, Thomas	Feb. 4, 1950
1	Bow River	Ward, George Ira	Apr. 15, 1950
1	Bow River	Foley, Eber Goard	July 22, 1950
1	Bow River	Scott, Francis	Sept. 21, 1950
1	Bow River	Simpson, Hugh Richmond	Sept. 24, 1950
1	Bow River	Ferguson, Andrew	Oct. 8, 1950
1	Bow River	Sparrow, James Frederick	Nov. 19, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Hatcher, William Ernest	Jan. 16, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	McCabe Charles Roy	Apr. 8, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Mackie, George	Apr. 14, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Foss, Hans Ole	May 18, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Goodfellow, Evan H.	June 3, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Boylan, John Harold	July 12, 1950
2	Medicine Hat	Margesson, Reginald E.	Aug. 15, 1950
3	Alberta	Young, Arthur	Oct. 26, 1950
4	North Star	Healy, Robert Anderson	Jan. 29, 1950
4	North Star	Edgett, Orin B.	Mar. 19, 1950
4	North Star	Armstrong, William James	July 5, 1950
5	Cascade	Notley, Horace H.	June 4, 1950
5	Cascade	Bradwell, Charles	Sept. 12, 1950
7	Edmonton	Stewart, Robert Taylor	Mar. 26, 1950
7	Edmonton	Mann, John	June 18, 1950
9	Perfection	Stanton, George Henry	Nov. 16, 1950
9	Perfection	Estey, Alfred Steadman	Feb. 4, 1950
9	Perfection	Kerr, Robert Wesley	May 7, 1950
9	Perfection	Hargreaves, James Alexander	Oct. 23, 1950
9	Perfection	Kneeshaw, Joseph	Nov. 26, 1950
11	Acacia	Stephens, Joseph	Dec. 10, 1950
11	Acacia	Douglas, James M.	Mar. 16, 1950
11	Acacia	Pfrimmer, Earl Edward	Apr. 16, 1950
11	Acacia	Westbrook, Edwin Harry	June 2, 1950
11	Acacia	Pettet, Harrie Clifton	June 12, 1950
11	Acacia	Taylor, David	Oct. 18, 1950
12	Red Deer	Garth, Wilfred	Oct. 28, 1950
12	Red Deer	Goodey, Arthur James	Dec. 4, 1950
14	Jasper	Chadsey, Walter Eavenson	Nov. 12, 1950
14	Jasper	MacDonald, James Fraser	July 16, 1950
14	Jasper	Whitfield, George Alfred	Aug. 26, 1950
15	Wetaskiwin	Davies, Thomas Charles	Dec. 1950
16	Mountain View	Scofield, John	Dec. 31, 1950

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
16	Mountain View	Landon, Frank L.	May 8, 1950
16	Mountain View	Keen, George Edgar	May 13, 1950
18	Britannia	Dunkley, Arthur Alfred	Nov. 12, 1950
19	Cornerstone	Shaw, Kenneth	May 25, 1950
19	Cornerstone	Stitt, Ernest Rae	Jan. 19, 1950
19	Cornerstone	MacDonald, Hugh Fraser	Aug. 8, 1950
19	Cornerstone	Robertson, Ralph Richard	Aug. 27, 1950
21	King Hiram	Horrell, Ralph	Nov. 29, 1950
22	Corinthian	Hallinger, Roland	June 25, 1950
22	Corinthian	Ardiel, Alfred Ernest	Jan. 23, 1950
22	Corinthian	Hetherington, Tiffen	Apr. 1, 1950
22	Corinthian	Varty, William	Oct. 21, 1950
23	Calgary	Johnstone, Lexley Ira	Oct. 27, 1950
23	Calgary	Milligan, George Fredrick	Mar. 13, 1950
23	Calgary	Patterson, Frank Duncan	June 4, 1950
24	Vermilion	Sharpe, Thomas James	Dec. 13, 1950
24	Vermilion	Parker, Robert Hugh	Aug. 8, 1950
25	St. John's	Harle, Oswald	Oct. 12, 1950
25	St. John's	George, Dean	June 4, 1950
25	St. John's	Moore, Christie	Dec. 5, 1950
25	St. John's	Clements, Wm. Thomas	Nov. 4, 1950
25	St. John's	Alexander, Harry Glen	Sept. 1950
25	St. John's	Clark, Edward James	Sept. 1950
26	Sentinel	Thomas, Sydney	Nov. 9, 1950
27	Apollo	O'Brien, Arthur H.	June 14, 1950
27	Apollo	Page, Harvey	Nov. 9, 1950
27	Apollo	Blaney, Frank V.	Oct. 25, 1950
28	Ashlar	Brown, Ephriam James	Mar. 22, 1950
28	Ashlar	Pattison, David H.	Jan. 4, 1950
28	Ashlar	McLaws, William H.	July 11, 1950
28	Ashlar	Mitchell, John Percy	Oct. 8, 1950
31	Summit	Cooke, Brian L.	Apr. 11, 1950
32	Cairo	Provan, Ralph	Dec. 15, 1950
32	Cairo	Watkins, Fred W.	Oct. 22, 1950
33	Stavely	Drummond, William A.	May 19, 1950
33	Stavely	Clark, John A.	Nov. 3, 1950
33	Stavely	Shimp, Amhurst B.	Dec. 22, 1950
35	Mizpah	Bassett, Thomas Alexander	July 24, 1950
35	Mizpah	Nagel, David	July 25, 1950
38	Hope	Allanach, Alexander	Mar. 13, 1950
38	Hope	Fielding, Percy	Apr. 24, 1950
38	Hope	Lea, Sidney Vincent	Dec. 27, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Greentree, Charles Edward	Jan. 16, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Fox, Peter	Jan. 31, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Wyman, Abram	Feb. 16, 1950

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
39	Lethbridge	McNeil, Thomas Kemp	May 7, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Graham, James Thomas	May 9, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Mitchell, Stephen B.	June 24, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Bonnell, Lewis F.	Mar. 12, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Wocknitz, Walter Amel	Aug. 19, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Sang, Robert Fisher	Oct. 3, 1950
41	King Solomon	Borton, Henry	Feb. 22, 1950
41	King Solomon	Atkinson, John Alfred	Sept. 18, 1950
42	Bowden	McKenzie, John A.	Feb. 15, 1950
42	Bowden	Brown, Charles H.	Dec. 25, 1950
44	Buffalo Park	Cardell, Maurice George	Dec. 9, 1950
48	Crossfield	Matheson, John Alexander	Feb. 2, 1950
48	Crossfield	Robertson, John	June 2, 1950
48	Crossfield	Warner, Hiram	Feb. 1950
48	Crossfield	Rosenberge, Edwin	Nov. 1, 1950
48	Crossfield	Becker, George	Nov. 19, 1950
51	Unity	Whiteoak, Thomas	Feb. 5, 1950
51	Unity	Braithwaite, Joseph Norris	Feb. 21, 1950
51	Unity	Gould, William W.	Apr. 10, 1950
51	Unity	Ottowell, Cedric Phillip	Sept. 29, 1950
51	Unity	Hope, Christopher Robert	Oct. 21, 1950
51	Unity	Neild, Samuel	Dec. 21, 1950
51	Unity	Norrie, Malcolm M.	Dec. 21, 1950
51	Unity	Wilson, Henry	Dec. 23, 1950
53	Strathmore	Harmer, Herbert R.	May 3, 1950
53	Strathmore	Harriman, Frank Henry	Oct. 26, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Bradley, Carson	Jan. 8, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Jebson, Fred	May 23, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Seright, Robert	Sept. 30, 1950
55	Bassano	Playfair, William Shaw	Mar. 23, 1950
55	Bassano	Connolly, Arthur Thomas	Apr. 26, 1950
56	Beaver	Parr, Herschal R.	Nov. 8, 1950
58	Chief Mountain	Holley, George E. Drummond	Dec. 1, 1950
59	King George	Boyce, Alfred E.	Mar. 30, 1950
59	King George	Brown, Luke William	Jan. 5, 1950
59	King George	Mitchell, Duncan	Apr. 24, 1950
59	King George	Lewin, Henry J.	Oct. 19, 1950
59	King George	Duncan, John	Nov. 22, 1950
59	King George	Hutchison, Harry	Sept. 30, 1950
60	Acme	Henderson, Roy Fred	Apr. 1, 1950
60	Acme	Webb, Claude Edison	July 25, 1950
61	Provost	Fiske, Albert W.	June 14, 1950
61	Provost	Farquharson, William G.	Aug. 3, 1950
62	Melrose	Wetterberg, Wilford Hardy	Apr. 26, 1950
63	Empire	McKechnie, Alexander	Apr. 30, 1950

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
64	Bow Island	Calder, George R.	June 30, 1950
65	Diamond City	Quigley, Daniel Hugh	Oct. 4, 1950
67	Charity	Entwistle, Alberta Victor	Mar. 24, 1950
68	Edson	Shaw, John Woodhouse	Jan. 17, 1950
68	Edson	Roe, John Albert	Dec. 5, 1950
69	Connaught	Bennett, Harvey Mitchell	Oct. 11, 1950
70	Quarry	Buchhols, Carl Gustave	Oct. 26, 1950
71	Tawatinaw	Olson, Fredrick Arthur	Mar. 25, 1950
71	Tawatinaw	Smith, William Worster	Nov. 5, 1950
72	Coronation	Goheen, Raymond C.	Nov. 4, 1950
73	Brooks	McBride, Donald Chester	Jan. 19, 1950
73	Brooks	Romney, Robert	Sept. 4, 1950
74	Vulcan	Clark, Earl Mortimer	Mar. 20, 1950
75	Harmony	Barnwell, Ernest Cleveland	June 16, 1950
77	Strathcona	Tatton, Francis George	June 28, 1950
77	Strathcona	Kay, Andrew	Nov. 22, 1950
77	Strathcona	Griffith, Robert John	Nov. 24, 1950
78	Hanna	Stirling, William C.	May 18, 1950
78	Hanna	Carter, David A.	Mar. 7, 1950
78	Hanna	Herbert, Joseph Henry	Apr. 7, 1950
79	Morning Star	Coughlin, Mahlon G.	Aug. 30, 1950
79	Morning Star	Foster, John	Nov. 19, 1950
80	Excelsior	Habgood, Frederick K.	Aug. 13, 1950
81	Commercial	Hood, Arthur	Mar. 28, 1950
81	Commercial	McCoy, John Oswald Huckins	Nov. 7, 1950
83	Zetland	Elliot, William John	Jan. 17, 1950
83	Zetland	Officer, Ernest	Jan. 10, 1950
83	Zetland	Cecil, Edgar Edward	Mar. 25, 1950
83	Zetland	Baxter, Albert	June 8, 1950
86	Rocky Mountain	Sangster, George	May 10, 1950
86	Rocky Mountain	Fitzsimmons, Hugh H.	Sept. 16, 1950
87	Crescent	Curriss, Matthew	Apr. 22, 1950
87	Crescent	Livingstone, Donald David	May 9, 1950
87	Crescent	MacMurray, George Frank	May 29, 1950
87	Crescent	Rankin, Robert Clayton	June 21, 1950
87	Crescent	MacKinlay, Alexander	June 30, 1950
87	Crescent	Burtwhistle, Courtland L.	Dec. 18, 1950
87	Crescent	Logan, Samuel H.	July 5, 1950
88	Wahpun	Walker, Charles Addington	July 23, 1950
89	Peace River	Stewart, William	Mar. , 1950
90	Norwood	Morrison, John Sebastian	Oct. 24, 1950
90	Norwood	East, George	Dec. 19, 1950
92	Saskatchewan	Ethridge, Everett Clyde	June 4, 1950
92	Saskatchewan	Lees, Robert	July 21, 1950
92	Saskatchewan	Field, Thomas Harold	Sept. 11, 1950

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
93	Symbol	Johnston, Alexander Peters	June 5, 1950
93	Symbol	Toshach, Eneas Albert	Oct. 5, 1950
93	Symbol	Cougler, Fenwick Nelson	Nov. 23, 1950
94	Lamont	Coxford, Archibald	Feb. 9, 1950
94	Lamont	McKellar, John Franklin	Apr. 7, 1950
94	Lamont	Bennett, Harvey Mitchell	Oct. 11, 1950
98	Hand Hill	Grant, Clifford	Feb. 15, 1950
100	Century	Eves, Thomas Hedgly	Nov. 9, 1950
100	Century	Wood, Hurshal Taylor	July 16, 1950
101	West Edmonton	Booth, George Alfred	June 16, 1950
101	West Edmonton	Rankin, William	Oct. 23, 1950
101	West Edmonton	Spence, James	Dec. 30, 1950
101	West Edmonton	Cameron, Duncan	Apr. 1950
102	Edgerton	Ripley, Albert Edward	June 19, 1950
102	Edgerton	Byers, Maurice	Jan. 18, 1950
103	Foremost	Piper, John Crawford	Jan. 6, 1950
104	Oyen	McKenzie, Roy	Mar. 17, 1950
105	Grande Prairie	Robertson, George	Dec. 22, 1950
106	Lake Saskatoon	McDonald, Alex B.	Mar. 16, 1950
106	Lake Saskatoon	Moore, Joe Henry	Dec. 1950
107	Carbon	Wright, Samuel Newton	May 2, 1950
111	Nobleford	McClennan, Jack	1950
113	Cyprus	Chatten, William George	June 15, 1950
115	Crocus	Connor, H. D.	Jan. 13, 1950
117	Dominion	Hollingsworth, Waldo Floyd	Aug. 30, 1950
118	St. Mark's	Batten, Leslie Spencer	Jan. 26, 1950
119	York	Pilling, Harry	Jan. 28, 1950
119	York	Rowland, Clifford C.	Oct. 20, 1950
120	Monitor	Taylor, Alexander	Mar. 1950
124	Concord	Saunders, Murray S.	May 23, 1950
124	Concord	Bibby, William	Oct. 4, 1950
127	Granite	Thacker, Carl Ray	June 26, 1950
132	Craigmyle	Lund, Nicholas Hanson	June 7, 1950
132	Craigmyle	Read, Anthony William	Aug. 18, 1950
134	Renfrew	Fleeton, William J.	Jan. 31, 1950
134	Renfrew	Millar, Thomas J.	Mar. 11, 1950
134	Renfrew	Boyd, Byron Cleveland	Apr. 23, 1950
134	Renfrew	Campbell, John Alexander	Nov. 29, 1950
137	Irricana	Bonham, Sidney Ralph	Aug. 25, 1950
141	Efficiency	Shanks, Samuel John	Apr. 7, 1950
142	Ivanhoe	Spencer, Charles Harwood	Apr. 5, 1949
142	Ivanhoe	Hurst, William L.	Sept. 14, 1950
142	Ivanhoe	McLeod, George Brown	Dec. 10, 1950
143	Jasper Park	Shaw, Edward Alden	June 7, 1950
145	St. Alban's	Liddle, George Stanley	July 10, 1950

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
145	St. Alban's	Matterson, Alfred John	1940
145	St. Alban's	Baird, James Woodrow	1941)
146	Drumheller	Cope, George Read	June 13, 1950
146	Drumheller	Tinlin, Gideon	Aug. 30, 1950
148	Mayerthrope	Bergman, John	Unknown
148	Mayerthrope	Ranton, William Kellog	May 27, 1950
151	Lochearn	Stinson, Albert T.	Feb. 12, 1950
156	Hythe	Dyer, Thomas Ralph	Sept. 26, 1950
159	Lucerne	MacKenzie, William	Nov. 12, 1950
162	Yellowknife	Olson, Hans	Dec. 12, 1950
164	Gateway	Main, James Bapte	Mar. 7, 1950



SUSPENSIONS N.P.D.**December 31st, 1950**

No.	Lodge	Name
1	Bow River	Dickson, George R.
1	Bow River	Irvine, Wilfred Harland.
1	Bow River	McKenzie, Ian Kenneth.
1	Bow River	McRitchie, D. A.
3	Alberta	Dunn, John William.
8	Innisfail	Hansen, Leonard Carlyle.
8	Innisfail	Johnson, Stephen Kirstinn
13	Victoria	Porter, John
15	Wetaskiwin	Beach, Dalton M.
18	Britannia	Stromquist, Bernard Heath.
22	Corinthian	Speers, William C.
22	Corinthian	Beck, Charles W. Jr.
22	Corinthian	Beck, Charles Sr.
22	Corinthian	Miller, Henry O.
23	Calgary	Spinney, Benjamin.
23	Calgary	Scott, James Hutton.
26	Sentinel	Berry, William Wilfred.
27	Apollo	Streit, William L.
28	Ashlar	Booth, Alfred C. T.
28	Ashlar	Waugh, Samuel Ralph.
31	Doric	Vayro, John George Albert.
32	Cairo	Levang, Kenneth A.
37	Camrose	Patterson, Lyle Franklin.
39	Lethbridge	Halsall, Stanley Gordon.
43	Tuscan	Anderson, David Crabb.
45	Ionic	Guss, Lovell S.
45	Ionic	Price, William Henry.
46	Palestine	Duckfield, William James.
50	Comet	Barnstable H.
51	Unity	Davies, William.
51	Unity	Wyllie, Andrew.
54	Mount Lebanon	Brown, Roy Douglas.
59	King George	Galger, Adam.
60	Acme	Toole, Robert Laverne Elgin.
60	Acme	Eitzen, John.
61	Provost	Lee, Albert P.
65	Diamond City	Clendening, Chester Scott.
66	St. Andrews	Hanna, Mathew Albert
66	St. Andrews	Postil, Vernon Duncan.
68	Edson	Deere, Gladstone Ewart.
73	Brooks	Tyler, Byron H.
73	Brooks	Mellen, Fred R.
74	Vulcan	Burgess, William Ramon.
74	Vulcan	Viaber, Herbert James.
86	Rocky Mountain	3arnhill, Robert Nesbitt.
86	Rocky Mountain	Whitehead, John William.

87	Crescent	Dair, Alexander L.
89	Peace River	Sanborn, Leg Maxwell.
89	Peace River	Cuthill, David.
89	Peace River	Duncan, James Hunter.
89	Peace River	Freeland, Carlton Bernard.
89	Peace River	Matas, Dr. Mathew.
89	Peace River	Paul, James Lloyd.
91	Patricia	Buxton, William J.
92	Saskatchewan	Messenger, Harold Frederick.
95	Kitchener	Marriott, Frederick.
95	Kitchener	Ingram, John Preston.
96	Dynamic	Sheperd, Roy M.
97	Albion	Olson, Dr. Grant McCallum.
107	Carbon	Cooper, James.
108	Pyramid	Becktel, Cyrus Ralph.
108	Pyramid	Moen, Olaf.
108	Pyramid	Donaghy, Wesley J.
108	Pyramid	Stanton, J. Wilner.
116	Spirit River	Brady, Fredk. William.
116	Spirit River	Bissett, George J.
116	Spirit River	Baisley, John Goldsmith.
117	Dominion	Stoker, Robert Robson.
117	Dominion	Bryenton, Leonard.
119	York	Boulton, George Fraser.
119	York	Gillingwaterm Walter.
130	Hussar	Litster, John Lormor.
134	Renfrew	Blow, Harry Frith.
140	Big Valley	Ruskin, Harold.
148	Mayerthorpe	Shuck, Raymond Mitchell.
148	Mayerthorpe	Roberts, Elton L.
154	Waskatenau	Livingstone, James Frank.
165	Hythe	Slaney, George Kendal.
157	Sharon	Graham, Herbert.

SUSPENSIONS, U.M.C.

45	Ionic	Estell, Paul Arthur.
58	Chief Mountain	Mould, John.
58	Chief Mountain	Read, S. J. S.
89	Peace River	Adams, William U. H.

RESTORATIONS**December 31st, 1950**

No.	Lodge	Name	Date
4	North Star	Castle, Norman.	Apr. 14, 1950
4	North Star	McLaws, Kenneth Barr.	Apr. 14, 1950
6	Spitzie	McFarland, Leonard J.	Nov. 7, 1950
7	Edmonton	Gray, Ninian MacLachlan.	Apr. 11, 1950
8	Innisfail	Shnitka, Benjamin David.	Oct. 19, 1950
9	Perfection	Kent, Harold N.	Mar. 21, 1950
9	Perfection	Jewitt, Walter.	Dec. 19, 1950
9	Perfection	Martin, John Scovil.	Sept. 19, 1950
13	Victoria	McKenzie, Carl Auld.	June 13, 1950
15	Wetaskiwin	Marsden, Thomas.	Mar. 16, 1950
16	Mountain View	Scott, Frank Lewis.	Apr. 3, 1950
19	Cornerstone	Burnside, Allen	Apr. 20, 1950
20	Carstairs	Slack, Walter Sydney.	June 1950
21	King Hiram	Harrison, George Sommes.	Sept. 12, 1950
21	King Hiram	Gooder, John.	Dec. 12, 1950
23	Calgary	Scott, James Hutton.	Feb. 3, 1950
24	Vermilion	Harrington, Frederick George.	Feb. 7, 1950
24	Vermilion	Wilson, Charles.	Dec. 5, 1950
27	Apollo	Smith, Ernest.	July 3, 1950
28	Ashlar	Noble, Reuben George.	Mar. 9, 1950
35	Mizpah	Simmonds, William Robert.	Mar. 21, 1950
37	Camrose	Symington, Thomas A.	Feb. 9, 1950
39	Lethbridge	Routledge, Thomas Allen.	Nov. 23, 1950
40	Joppa	Carswell, Charles F.	Dec. 14, 1950
48	Crossfield	Edwards, Roy John.	Jan. 10, 1950
50	Comet	Ingram, Francis W.	Feb. 23, 1950
51	Unity	Parsons, Sidney.	Feb. 7, 1950
53	Strathmore	Cuthbertson, Russel John.	May 1, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Allen, Joseph.	Feb. 14, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Roberts, Harry W.	Feb. 14, 1950
54	Mount Lebanon	Thorne, John Thomas.	Dec. 12, 1950
60	Acme	Rinn, Beverly Frederick.	Sept. 12, 1950
60	Acme	Eitzen, John.	Dec. 23, 1950
63	Empire	Knott, Daniel Kennedy.	Apr. 17, 1950
68	Edson	Olsen, Clarence A. Edward.	Oct. 5, 1950
71	Tawatinaw	Richards, Warren.	Oct. 15, 1950
77	Strathcona	Price, Thomas.	Jan. 1, 1950
78	Hanna	Richardson, Andrew Gibson.	Dec. 4, 1950
81	Commercial	Shiplett, Howard Cecil.	Jan. 19, 1950
87	Crescent	Aitken, Alen Dundee.	Feb. 14, 1950
91	Patricia	Hughes, Edward.	Jan. 16, 1950
91	Patricia	Guthrie, William Dyce.	Feb. 17, 1950
92	Saskatchewan	Crawford, William Basil.	Sept. 14, 1950
106	Lake Saskatoon	Price, John Leslie.	May 4, 1950
117	Dominion	Shaver, Philip Charles.	Sept. 13, 1950
134	Renfrew	Ballatyne, Andrew Campbell.	Apr. 10, 1950
134	Renfrew	Stoddart, Andrew Terris.	Sept. 11, 1950
163	Ancient Landmark	Curr, Henry H.	Feb. 2, 1950

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1.	Row River.....	E. W. Thomas.	902-4th Ave. N.W., Calgary.	First Wednesday in each month.
2.	Medicine Hat.....	W. H. Williams.	406 Dundee St., Medicine Hat.	Second Tuesday in each month.
3.	Alberta.....	C. E. Stevens.	P.O. Box No. 189, Macleod.	Third Wednesday in each month.
4.	North Star.....	E. Ranch.	P.O. Box No. 402 Lethbridge.	Second Friday in each month.
5.	Caesate.....	W. Alexander.	P.O. Box No. 70, Banff.	Second Thursday in each month.
6.	Spizzie.....	R. Dunlop.	Fincher Creek.	First Tuesday in each month.
7.	Edmonton.....	John S. Parker.	Box 34, Edmonton.	Second Tuesday in each month.
8.	Innisfail.....	John S. Lecher.	Innisfail.	Third Tuesday in each month.
9.	Perfection.....	C. S. Evans.	525-19th Ave. W., Calgary.	Third Tuesday in each month.
10.	Eureka.....	Gibert T. Jackson.	Lacombe.	Second Thursday in each month.
11.	Acacia.....	C. W. Riley.	10030, 81st Ave., Edmonton.	Second Thursday in each month.
12.	Red Deer.....	A. J. N. Chamberlin.	5016 51st Ave., Red Deer.	Second Tuesday in each month.
13.	Victoria.....	F. H. Walton.	Fort Saskatchewan.	Second Tuesday in each month.
14.	Jasper.....	H. B. Fowler.	10751-80th Ave., Edmonton.	Second Monday in each month.
15.	Wetaskiwin.....	H. C. Smith.	Box No. 398, Wetaskiwin.	Third Thursday in each month.
16.	Mountain View.....	Ed. Faber.	Olds.	First Monday in each month.
17.	Nanton.....	W. H. Allan.	Box No. 57, Nanton.	Second Thursday in each month.
18.	Britannia.....	Charles Plant.	Ponoka.	First Wednesday in each month.
19.	Cornerstone.....	J. F. Casteel.	High River.	Third Thursday in each month.
20.	Carstairs.....	George R. Shaw.	P.O. Box No. 431, Carstairs.	Second Thursday in each month.
21.	King Hiram.....	H. Morgan.	Disbury.	Second Tuesday in each month.
22.	Corinthian.....	M. B. Arfel.	Okotoks.	First Tuesday in each month.
23.	Calgary.....	C. H. Westmore.	113-8th St. N.W., Calgary.	First Friday in each month.
24.	Vermilion.....	H. J. Payne.	Vermilion.	First Tuesday in each month.
25.	St. John's.....	John F. Leach.	Vegreville.	First Monday in each month.
26.	Sentinel.....	Fred Padgett.	Bellevue.	Second Thursday in each month.
27.	Apollo.....	H. Richardson.	Stettler.	First Monday in each month.
28.	Aslar.....	Chas. W. J. Blomfield.	313-10A St. N.W., Calgary.	Second Thursday in each month.
29.	Kenilworth.....	M. W. Cooke.	P.O. Box 1, Red Deer.	First Tuesday in each month.
30.	Summit.....	John Mennie.	Coleman.	First Thursday in each month.
31.	Doric.....	H. H. McKibbin.	Taber.	Second Tuesday in each month.
32.	Carro.....	Clarence W. Carney.	Clareholm.	First Tuesday in each month.
33.	Stavely.....	A. C. Patterson.	Stavely.	Third Tuesday in each month.
34.	Star of the West.....	Peter Wyllie.	Leduc.	First Tuesday in each month.
35.	Mirpah.....	Jas. Henderson.	St. 22 View Court, Medicine Hat.	Third Tuesday in each month.
36.	Gleichen.....	Fred L. Morgan.	Gleichen.	First Tuesday in each month.
37.	Camrose.....	M. W. McDonnell.	Camrose.	First Tuesday in each month.
38.	Hope.....	C. G. Torrance.	Mannville.	Second Thursday in each month.
39.	Lethbridge.....	Chris. Gibson.	1106-7th Ave. South, Lethbridge.	Second Monday in each month.
40.	Joppa.....	R. Blair.	Granum.	Second Thursday in each month.

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41.	King Solomon	S. Peterell	Cochrane	Third Thursday in each month.
42.	Bowden	W. J. Henderson	P.O. Box No. 68, Bowden.	Second Tuesday in each month.
43.	Tuscan	W. G. Gair	Killam	First Wednesday in each month.
44.	Buffalo Park	Wm. E. Rhome	Wainwright	Second Thursday in each month.
45.	Ionio	Robt. Whitfield	Alx	Second Thursday in each month.
46.	Pastine	H. W. Lovel	Tofield	Third Tuesday in each month.
47.	Chinook	A. T. Gray	Cowley	Third Monday in each month.
48.	Crossfield	S. Willis	Box 200, Crossfield	Second Tuesday in each month.
49.	Robert Burns	F. J. Whitmarsh	Garnang	Second Monday in each month.
50.	Comet	W. H. McPherson	Hurdley	Second Thursday in each month.
51.	Unity	J. Booth	11212 - 69th Street, Edmonton.	First Tuesday in each month.
53.	Strathmore	H. C. Willson	Strathmore	First Monday in each month.
54.	Mount Lebanon	W. J. Harwood	820-19th Ave. N.W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
55.	Bassano	Sam Moss	P.O. Box No. 237, Bassano	Second Thursday in each month.
56.	Beaver	T. A. Marshall	Castor	First Wednesday in each month.
57.	Grassy Lake	Mark Hancock	Grassy Lake	Second Thursday in each month.
58.	Chief Mountain	K. E. Walter	P.O. Box No. 127, Cardston	Second Thursday in each month.
59.	King George	T. B. Donald	1126 Kensington Rd, Calgary	Third Tuesday in each month.
60.	Acme	J. C. Smith	P.O. Box No. 171, Acme.	Second Friday in each month.
61.	Provost	Mat Starr	Provost	Thursday, on or before full moon
62.	Meirhoe	H. E. Molstad	Bawlf	Third Wednesday in each month.
63.	Empire	T. Jones	11015-75th Street, Edmonton	Third Thursday in each month.
64.	Bow Island	William Calder	P.O. Box No. 18, Bow Island	Third Monday in each month.
65.	Diamond City	J. McIlwain	824 - 7th St. South, Lethbridge.	Third Wednesday in each month.
66.	St. Andrews	W. T. Paterson	Trochu	First Thursday in each month.
67.	Chantry	Albert Wright	1203, 6th Ave., South, Lethbridge.	Second Thursday in each month.
68.	Edson	A. H. Dakin	Viking	Third Monday in each month.
69.	Connaught	Fred B. Reishus	P.O. Box No. 110, Edson.	First Thursday in each month.
70.	Quarry	J. W. Pickering	Redcliff	Second Tuesday in each month.
71.	Tawadnaw	M. W. Hitchens	Box 996, Athabasca	First Tuesday in each month.
72.	Coronation	M. R. Butterfield	Coronation	Second Wednesday in each month.
73.	Brooks	C. C. Stephen	Brooks	Third Tuesday in each month.
74.	Vulcan	D. D. McQueen	Vulcan	First Tuesday in each month.
75.	Fidelity	C. E. Blakney	Sedgewick	Second Monday in each month.
76.	Harmeny	Jas. A. Marshall	P.O. Box No. 519, Bashaw.	Second Tuesday in each month.
77.	Strathcona	John Paterson	11230, 1/4th Street, Edmonton	Second Friday in each month.
78.	Hanna	R. L. Wood	P.O. Box No. 305, Hanna.	First Monday in each month.
79.	Morning Star	H. V. Wainsley	Lougheed	Third Thursday in each month.
80.	Excelsior	Box 25, Strone	Box 25, Strone	First Thursday in each month.
81.	Commercial	Robert Shortreed	1117 83rd Ave., Edmonton	First Saturday in each month.
82.	Acadia	J. Williams	Youngstown	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
83.	Zetland	Geo. Cromie	206 Anterson Ave., Calgary	First Tuesday in each month.
84.	Champion	J. G. Steeves	Champion	Second Thursday in each month.

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86.	Rocky Mountain	M. G. Smith	Blairmore	Second Tuesday in each month.
87.	Crescent	A. S. Morgan	1609 - 3rd St. N.W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
88.	Wahpau	E. J. Beeler	High Prairie, Alta.	Second Thursday in each month.
89.	Peace River	Eric M. Rymer	Peace River, Alta.	First Thursday in each month.
90.	Norwood	J. L. Mellish	Box 491, Edmonton	Third Tuesday in each month.
91.	Patrons	George W. Emery	12613-107th Ave., Edmonton	Third Friday in each month.
92.	Saskatchewan	John F. Taylor	P.O. Box No. 44, Drumheller	Second Thursday in each month.
93.	Symbol	A. H. Bennett	Lamont	Second Thursday in each month.
94.	Lamont	H. N. Taylor	Kimber	Second Monday in each month.
95.	Kitchener	L. J. Sowers	Holden	First Tuesday in each month.
96.	Dynane	Irving E. Neil	Chauvin	First Wednesday in each month.
97.	Albion	J. H. Brunner	Dalla River	First Thursday in each month.
98.	Hand Hill	W. F. Erickson	8961-83 Ave., Edmonton	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
99.	Century	R. T. Martins	Edgerton	Third Tuesday in each month.
100.	West Edmonton	G. C. Welsh	Foremost	First Tuesday in each month.
101.	Edgerton	R. R. Walman	Oyen	First Wednesday in each month.
102.	Foremost	H. J. Hall	Grande Prairie	First Tuesday in each month.
103.	Oyen	I. W. McIntosh	Wentley	Second Thursday in each month.
104.	Grand Prairie	R. C. Newcom	Carbon	First Tuesday in each month.
105.	Lake Saskatoon	W. A. Braisher	Lomond	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
106.	Carbon	S. G. Craig	Amalgamated, Hope Lodge No. 38	Third Tuesday in each month.
107.	Pyramid	Leslie Baxter	P.O. Box No. 118, Barons	Third Monday in each month.
108.	Kilwinning Lodge	Wm. Harts	Box 95, Three Hills	Second Tuesday in each month.
109.	Nobleford	W. J. McCullough	P.O. Box No. 5, Westlock.	Third Wednesday in each month.
110.	Cyprus	R. V. Lawrence	Chinook	First Thursday in each month.
111.	Westlock	J. M. Fildes	Spirit River	Wednesday, on or after full moon.
112.	Crocus	E. Foster	10124 - 120th St., Edmonton.	Third Monday in each month.
113.	Spirit River	Geo. A. J. Bracken	133-15th Avenue East, Calgary	Second Wednesday in each month.
114.	Dominion	Geo. A. J. Thompson	Box 301, Lethbridge	Second Monday in each month.
115.	St. Mark's	A. P. Henry	Consort	First Tuesday in each month.
116.	York	J. M. Tomte	Rockyford	Second Monday in each month.
117.	Monitor	Gilbert Tremee	314-26th Ave. W., Calgary	Fourth Monday in each month.
118.	Rockyford	E. R. Hodson	Delburne	First Saturday in each month.
119.	Concord	Robt. A. Conrad	Sangudo	Third Monday in each month.
120.	Cavell	Geo. Irvine Scott	Blackie	First Wednesday in each month.
121.	Pembina	Wm. Smith, Jr.	Foreburg	First Wednesday in each month.
122.	Granite	Frank Krause	Stony Plain	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
123.	Foreburg	G. C. Juras	Hussar	Second Wednesday in each month.
124.	Mendham	J. G. Ingalls	Kitscoty	Second Monday in each month.
125.	Hussar	J. E. Derry	Craigmyle	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
126.	Kitscoty	J. M. Underdahl	Manyberries	Second Tuesday in each month.
127.	Craigmyle			Third Thursday in each month.
128.	Manyberries			

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134.	Renfrew	C. S. R. Lait	Masonic Temple, Calgary	Second Monday in each month.
135.	Alliance	Fred W. Detert		Fourth Monday in each month.
136.	Crescent	E. D. Teetzall		Third Monday in each month.
137.	Irricana	A. W. Longson		Third Tuesday in each month.
138.	Onaway	Edward A. Dixon		First Wednesday in each month.
140.	Big Valley	Frank Dewar		First Tuesday in each month.
141.	Efficiency	J. H. Cochran		First Monday in each month.
142.	Ivanhoe	J. Madill	Hughenden	Third Thursday in each month.
143.	Jasper Park	Harold M. Hamilton	10178-118th St. Edmonton.	Second Thursday in each month.
144.	Gratton	E. H. Targett	P.O. Box No. 247, Jasper	Third Thursday in each month.
145.	St. Alban's	W. G. Fuller	Irma	Third Saturday in each month.
146.	Drumheller	Victor E. Nelson	St. Paul	Third Tuesday in each month.
147.	Northland	J. K. Hardie	P.O. Box No. 330, Drumheller	Second Tuesday in each month.
148.	Mayerthorpe	E. J. Holbrook	Fairview	Second Tuesday in each month.
151.	Lochearn	A. W. Brockman	Mayerthorpe	Second Tuesday in each month.
152.	Standard	F. D. Knowlton	Rocky Mountain House	Second Tuesday in each month.
153.	Whitecourt	D. R. Harvey	Standard	Third Monday in each month.
154.	Waskatenau	H. Lunn	Whitecourt	Third Thursday in each month.
156.	Hythe	Albert H. Abbott	Waskatenau	First Wednesday in each month.
157.	Sharon	Nick Christ	Beaverlodge	Last Thursday in each month.
158.	Berry Creek	John A. Lukey	Picture Butte	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
159.	Lucerne	E. M. Wegren	Sunnyside	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
160.	Sevensmith	Tom Holland	Vauxhall	First Tuesday in each month.
161.	Emerson	David Lush	Sevensmith	First Tuesday in each month.
162.	Yellowknife	James Major	Emerson	First Thursday in each month.
163.	Ancient Landmark	Howard Conway	Yellowknife, N.W.T.	First Thursday in each month.
164.	Gateway	Harold A. Chowne	Mirror	Second Thursday in each month.
U.D.	Canada	L. E. McKay	8312 Jasper Ave., Edmonton	Second Thursday in each month.
U.D.	Evergreen	A. A. Marr	1401 Third St. N.W., Calgary	First Monday in each month.
			14810-103 Ave. Edmonton	First Monday in each month.

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			Initiated	Passed	Raised			Dimitted	N. P. D.	U. M. C.	Died			
1	Bow River	227	19	21	21	-	-	-	4	-	7	235	8	-
2	Medicine Hat	291	16	16	16	2	-	1	-	-	7	301	10	-
3	Alberta	97	6	6	6	6	-	1	1	-	1	106	9	-
4	North Star	205	12	13	3	2	2	6	-	-	3	212	7	-
5	Cascade	164	8	8	8	3	-	-	-	-	2	173	9	-
6	Spitzie	109	4	4	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	116	7	-
7	Edmonton	329	35	35	35	15	1	7	-	-	3	370	41	-
8	Innisfail	101	3	3	3	3	1	6	2	-	-	100	-	1
*9	Perfection	379	22	22	22	5	3	6	-	-	5	398	19	-
10	Eureka	106	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	111	5	-
11	Acacia	318	27	26	26	5	-	-	-	-	6	344	26	-
12	Red Deer	137	11	18	13	4	-	3	-	-	2	147	10	-
13	Victoria	45	3	3	3	-	1	-	1	-	-	48	3	-
14	Jasper	135	8	8	8	1	-	4	-	-	3	137	2	-
15	Wetaskiwin	116	4	4	4	3	1	-	1	-	1	122	6	-
*16	Mountain View	108	1	1	2	-	1	2	-	-	3	105	-	3
17	Nanton	97	6	8	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	102	5	-
18	Britannia	88	4	1	3	3	-	2	1	-	1	91	3	-
19	Cornerstone	146	8	10	10	5	1	-	-	-	4	156	10	-
20	Carstairs	54	1	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	55	1	-
21	King Hiram	86	2	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	89	3	-
22	Corinthian	164	9	13	13	-	-	2	4	-	4	163	-	1
23	Calgary	179	13	12	12	5	1	3	2	-	3	190	11	-
24	Vermilion	143	5	4	4	1	2	5	-	-	2	144	1	-
*25	St. John's	107	4	4	4	-	-	1	-	-	5	105	-	2
26	Sentinel	86	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	85	-	1
27	Apollo	98	2	4	4	-	1	1	1	-	3	96	-	2
28	Ashlar	160	12	12	11	1	1	2	2	-	4	166	6	-
29	Kenilworth	121	5	6	6	6	-	1	-	-	-	131	10	-
30	Summit	76	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	79	3	-
31	Doric	84	2	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	84	3	-
*32	Cairo	107	2	3	3	1	-	7	1	-	2	100	-	7
33	Stavely	55	2	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	3	54	-	1
34	Star of the West	69	5	5	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	75	6	-
35	Mizpah	185	15	14	18	2	1	1	-	-	2	200	15	-
*36	Gleichen	83	-	1	7	2	-	1	-	-	-	84	1	-
37	Camrose	114	4	8	8	2	1	5	1	-	-	115	1	-
38	Hope	64	3	3	3	-	-	2	-	-	3	62	-	2
*39	Lethbridge	206	16	16	15	2	1	8	1	-	9	207	1	-
*40	Joppa	32	8	8	8	-	1	-	-	-	-	41	9	-
41	King Solomon	59	8	8	7	-	-	2	-	-	2	63	4	-
42	Bowden	60	1	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	2	58	-	2
43	Tuscan	51	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	50	-	1

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			Initiated	Passed	Raised			Dimitted	N. P. D.	U. M. C.	Died			
44	Buffalo Park	74	9	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	1	82	8	—
45	Ionic	41	1	1	1	—	—	1	2	1	—	38	—	3
46	Palestine	59	3	3	2	1	—	2	1	—	—	60	1	—
47	Chinook	31	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	30	—	1
48	Crossfield	70	3	5	5	—	1	1	—	—	5	68	—	2
49	Robert Burns	45	1	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	1	—
50	Comet	52	3	6	6	—	1	—	1	—	—	55	3	—
51	Unity	383	15	16	16	4	1	3	2	—	8	390	7	—
53	Strathmore	129	8	8	6	—	1	1	—	—	2	135	6	—
54	Mount Lebanon	188	8	8	8	4	3	1	1	—	3	198	10	—
55	Bassano	88	5	5	3	—	—	3	—	—	2	88	—	—
56	Beaver	51	3	3	3	1	—	3	—	—	1	51	—	—
57	Grassy Lake	49	6	6	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	56	7	—
58	Chief Mountain	58	1	1	1	2	—	1	—	2	1	57	—	1
59	King George	308	15	16	8	3	—	4	1	—	6	315	7	—
*60	Acme	52	—	—	1	2	2	1	2	—	2	51	—	1
61	Provost	64	2	2	1	—	—	1	1	—	2	62	—	2
62	Melrose	64	2	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	1	67	3	—
63	Empire	119	9	10	10	2	1	—	—	—	1	130	11	—
64	Bow Island	58	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	58	—	—
65	Diamond City	41	1	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	1	39	—	2
66	St. Andrew's	69	—	2	2	3	—	1	2	—	—	69	—	—
67	Charity	82	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	86	4	—
68	Edson	188	12	12	12	8	1	1	—	—	2	206	18	—
69	Connaught	53	1	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	1	51	—	2
70	Quarry	36	2	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	38	2	—
71	Tawatinaw	59	3	3	3	1	1	1	—	—	2	61	2	—
72	Coronation	66	11	11	11	—	—	2	—	—	1	74	8	—
73	Brooks	128	7	9	9	2	—	3	2	—	2	130	2	—
74	Vulcan	91	1	1	1	3	—	—	2	—	1	92	1	—
75	Harmony	43	3	2	2	1	—	1	—	—	1	45	2	—
76	Fidelity	84	3	2	3	1	—	1	—	—	—	87	3	—
77	Strathcona	179	19	19	21	—	1	7	—	—	3	189	10	—
78	Hanna	110	4	3	3	3	1	—	—	—	3	115	5	—
79	Morning Star	49	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	49	—	—
80	Excelsior	24	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	26	2	—
81	Commercial	198	15	16	16	2	2	2	—	—	2	213	15	—
82	Acadia	45	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	1	—
83	Zetland	260	12	11	10	5	—	3	2	—	4	268	8	—
84	Champion	56	4	3	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	58	2	—

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No.	Lodge	Dec. 31, 1949	Degrees			Affiliated	Reinstated	Decrease				Dec. 31, 1950	Increase	Decrease
			Initiated	Passed	Raised			Dimitted	N. P. D.	U. M. C.	Died			
86	Rocky Mountain ..	63	6	6	6	—	—	1	2	—	2	69	1	—
87	Crescent	241	17	18	17	8	1	4	1	—	7	255	14	—
88	Wahpun	62	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	62	—	—
89	Peace River	118	5	6	12	2	—	2	6	1	1	115	—	3
90	Norwood	172	14	17	17	4	—	—	—	—	2	188	16	—
91	Patricia	215	10	9	10	1	2	2	1	—	—	225	10	—
92	Saskatchewan	154	6	6	6	—	1	1	1	—	3	156	2	—
93	Symbol	177	4	4	4	1	—	10	—	—	3	169	—	8
94	Lamont	58	4	7	6	1	—	4	—	—	3	56	—	2
95	Kitchener	39	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	—	—	36	—	3
96	Dynamic	45	—	1	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	46	1	—
97	Albion	40	3	3	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	42	2	—
98	Hand Hill	74	4	4	4	1	—	—	—	—	1	78	4	—
100	Century	93	2	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	94	1	—
101	West Edmonton ..	165	26	19	19	5	—	—	—	—	4	183	27	—
102	Edgerton	47	6	8	7	2	—	1	—	—	2	52	5	—
103	Foremost	60	2	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	61	1	—
104	Oyen	85	8	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	92	7	—
105	Grande Prairie ..	113	9	10	10	1	—	6	—	—	1	116	3	—
106	Lake Saskatoon ..	43	1	1	1	—	1	2	—	—	2	41	—	2
107	Carbon	69	2	2	2	1	—	3	1	—	1	67	—	2
108	Pyramid	40	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	36	—	4
110	Kilwinning	21	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	20	—	1
111	Nobleford	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	29	—	1
113	Cyprus	52	1	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	1	50	—	2
114	Westlock	92	10	10	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	104	12	—
115	Crocus	36	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	35	—	1
116	Spirit River	77	2	3	3	1	—	1	3	—	—	76	—	1
117	Dominion	151	19	17	16	—	1	5	2	—	1	163	12	—
118	St. Mark's	143	14	10	15	1	—	1	—	—	1	156	13	—
119	York	154	6	6	7	—	—	—	2	—	2	156	2	—
120	Monitor	48	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	46	—	2
123	Rockyford	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	59	—	—
124	Concord	185	15	16	15	2	—	2	—	—	2	198	13	—
125	Cavell	57	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	58	1	—
126	Pembina	40	1	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	39	—	1
*127	Granite	84	1	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	1	82	—	2
128	Forestburg	50	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	52	2	—
*129	Meridian	69	2	2	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	70	1	—
130	Hussar	52	2	2	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	52	—	—
131	Kitscoty	60	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	59	—	1
132	Craigmyle	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	45	—	2

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			Initiate	Passed	Raised				N. P. D.	U. M. C.	Died			
133	Manyberries	42	1	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	41	—	1
134	Renfrew	180	15	16	15	1	2	3	1	—	4	190	10	—
135	Alliance	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	—	—
136	Cresset	35	3	2	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	37	2	—
137	Irricana	65	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	66	1	—
138	Onoway	42	1	2	4	2	—	2	—	—	—	43	1	—
140	Big Valley	64	6	7	7	—	—	1	1	—	—	68	4	—
141	Efficiency	48	3	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	51	3	—
142	Ivanhoe	187	9	13	12	7	—	1	—	—	3	199	12	—
143	Jasper Park	115	12	11	11	—	—	5	—	—	1	121	6	—
*144	Gratton	35	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	136	1	—
*145	St. Alban's	62	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	3	61	—	1
146	Drumheller	108	6	6	4	1	—	—	—	—	2	113	5	—
147	Northland	81	9	6	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	91	10	—
148	Mayerthorpe	45	2	2	2	—	—	1	2	—	2	42	—	3
*151	Lochearn	91	6	5	3	—	—	3	—	—	1	93	2	—
152	Standard	44	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	1	—
153	Whitecourt	46	4	4	4	—	—	3	—	—	—	47	1	—
154	Waskatenau	31	2	2	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	33	2	—
156	Hythe	62	2	4	4	1	—	1	1	—	1	62	—	—
157	Sharon	45	3	4	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	46	1	—
158	Berry Creek	47	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	48	1	—
159	Lucerne	42	2	2	4	—	—	2	—	—	1	41	—	1
160	Sexsmith	44	5	5	5	1	—	1	—	—	—	49	5	—
161	Empress	47	3	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	3	—
162	Yellowknife	72	6	6	8	1	—	1	—	—	1	77	5	—
163	Ancient Landmark	38	2	3	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	39	1	—
164	Gateway	20	6	6	6	3	—	—	—	—	1	37	8	—
		14,954	848	874	862	204	48	229	80	4	232	15,509	636	81

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(*)—Do not exchange representatives.

LIST OF LODGES BY MASONIC DISTRICTS

DISTRICT No. 1

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Robert D. Clarke (1)

No. 1	Bow River.....	Calgary
No. 5	Cascade.....	Banff
No. 9	Perfection.....	Calgary
No. 28	Ashlar.....	Calgary
No. 41	King Solomon.....	Cochrane
No. 59	King George.....	Calgary
No. 118	St. Mark's.....	Calgary
No. 134	Renfrew.....	Calgary

DISTRICT No. 2

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. C. T. Schon (73)

No. 2	Medicine Hat	Medicine Hat
No. 35	Mizpah.....	Medicine Hat
No. 55	Bassano.....	Bassano
No. 57	Grassy Lake.. ..	Grassy Lake
No. 64	Bow Island.. ..	Bow Island
No. 70	Quarry.....	Redcliff
No. 73	Brooks.....	Brooks
No. 133	Manyberries. . .	Manyberries

DISTRICT No. 3

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. John Scott Parker (7)

No. 7	Edmonton.....	Edmonton
No. 15	Wetaskiwin.....	Wetaskiwin
No. 34	Star of the West.....	Leduc
No. 51	Unity.....	Edmonton
No. 68	Edson.....	Edson
No. 81	Commercial	Edmonton
No. 129	Meridian.....	Stony Plain
No. 143	Jasper Park	Jasper
U.D.	Evergreen	Edmonton

DISTRICT No. 4

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. John D. Thomas (21)

No. 8	Innisfail.....	Innisfail
No. 10	Eureka.....	Lacombe
No. 12	Red Deer.....	Red Deer
No. 16	Mountain View.....	Olds
No. 18	Britannia.....	Ponoka
No. 20	Carstairs.....	Carstairs
No. 21	King Hiram.....	Didsbury
No. 29	Kenilworth.....	Red Deer
No. 42	Bowden.....	Bowden
No. 95	Kitchener.....	Rimbey
No. 151	Lochearn.....	Rocky Mt. House

DISTRICT No. 5

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Carlton E. Blakeney (75)

No. 37	Camrose.....	Camrose
No. 43	Tuscan.....	Killam
No. 50	Comet.....	Hardisty
No. 61	Provost.....	Provost
No. 62	Melrose.....	Bawlf
No. 75	Harmony.....	Sedgewick
No. 79	Morning Star.....	Lougheed
No. 80	Excelsior.....	Strome
No. 128	Forestburg.....	Forestburg
No. 135	Alliance.....	Alliance
No. 141	Efficiency.....	Hughenden

DISTRICT No. 6

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. G. L. Morrison (32)

No. 17	Nanton.....	Nanton
No. 19	Cornerstone.....	High River
No. 22	Corinthian.....	Okotoks
No. 32	Cairo.....	Claresholm
No. 33	Stavely.....	Stavely
No. 40	Joppa.....	Granum

DISTRICT No. 7

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. G. L. Barry (100)

No. 4	North Star.....	Lethbridge
No. 31	Doric.....	Taber
No. 39	Lethbridge.....	Lethbridge
No. 58	Chief Mountain.....	Cardston
No. 65	Diamond City.....	Coalhurst
No. 67	Charity.....	Lethbridge
No. 100	Century.....	Milk River
No. 103	Foremost.....	Foremost
No. 119	York.....	Lethbridge
No. 157	Sharon.....	Picture Butte
No. 159	Lucerne.....	Vauxhall

DISTRICT No. 8

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. C. S. Reach (3)

No. 3	Alberta.....	Macleod
No. 6	Spitzie.....	Pincher Creek
No. 26	Sentinel.....	Hillcrest
No. 30	Summit.....	Coleman
No. 47	Chinook.....	Cowley
No. 86	Rocky Mountain.....	Blairmore

DISTRICT No. 9

D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Robert Whitfield (45)

No. 27	Apollo.....	Stettler
No. 45	Ionic.....	Alix
No. 56	Beaver.....	Castor
No. 72	Coronation.....	Coronation
No. 120	Monitor.....	Consort
No. 140	Big Valley.....	Rumsey

DISTRICT No. 10

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Murray Hamilton (11)

No. 11	Acacia.....	Edmonton
No. 13	Victoria.....	Ft. Saskatchewan
No. 24	Vermilion.....	Vermilion
No. 25	St. John's.....	Vegreville
No. 38	Hope.....	Manville
No. 63	Empire.....	Edmonton
No. 90	Norwood.....	Edmonton
No. 94	Lamont.....	Lamont
No. 110	Kilwinning (now amalgamated with Hope No. 38).	
No. 117	Dominion.....	Edmonton
No. 131	Kitseoty.....	Kitseoty
No. 145	St. Alban's.....	St. Paul
No. 154	Waskatenau.....	Waskatenau

DISTRICT No. 11

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. J. Walter Nielson (49)

No. 49	Robert Burr.....	Carmangay
No. 74	Vulcan.....	Vulcan
No. 84	Champion.....	Champion
No. 108	Pyramid.....	Lomond
No. 111	Nobleford.....	Nobleford
No. 127	Granite.....	Blackie
No. 136	Cresset.....	Barons

DISTRICT No. 12

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Jas. George Campbell (14)

No. 14	Jasper.....	Edmonton
No. 71	Tawatinaw.....	Athabasca
No. 77	Strathcona.....	Edmonton
No. 91	Patricia.....	Edmonton
No. 92	Saskatchewan.....	Edmonton
No. 101	West Edmonton.....	Edmonton
No. 114	Westlock.....	Westlock
No. 126	Pembina.....	Saugudo
No. 138	Onoway.....	Onoway
No. 142	Ivanhoe.....	Edmonton
No. 148	Mayerthorpe.....	Mayerthorpe
No. 153	Whitecourt.....	Whitecourt
No. 164	Gateway.....	Edmonton

DISTRICT No. 13

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. William Cassie (116)

No. 88	Wahpun.....	High Prairie
No. 89	Peace River.....	Peace River
No. 105	Grande Prairie.....	Grande Prairie
No. 106	Lake Saskatoon.....	Wembley
No. 116	Spirit River.....	Spirit River
No. 147	Northland.....	Fairview
No. 156	Hythe.....	Hythe
No. 160	Sexsmith.....	Sexsmith

DISTRICT No. 14

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Glen Russell (161)

No. 78	Hanna.....	Hanna
No. 82	Acadia.....	Youngstown
No. 98	Hand Hill.....	Delia
No. 104	Oyen.....	Oyen
No. 115	Crocus.....	Chinook
No. 132	Craigmyle.....	Craigmyle
No. 153	Berry Creek.....	Pollackville
No. 161	Empress.....	Empress

DISTRICT No. 15

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. John P. Ferguson (66)

No. 60	Acme.....	Acme
No. 66	St. Andrew's.....	Trochu
No. 76	Fidelity.....	Bashaw
No. 113	Cyprus.....	Three Hills
No. 125	Cavell.....	Delburne
No. 137	Irricana.....	Irricana
No. 163	Ancient Landmark.....	Mirror

DISTRICT No. 16

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. W. H. D. Anderson (146)

No. 93	Symbol.....	Drumheller
No. 107	Carbon.....	Carbon
No. 123	Rockyford.....	Rockyford
No. 130	Hussar	Hussar
No. 146	Drumheller.....	Drumheller
No. 152	Standard.....	Standard

DISTRICT No. 17

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. William A. Webb (46)

No. 44	Buffalo Park.....	Wainwright
No. 46	Palestine.....	Tofield
No. 69	Connaught.....	Viking
No. 96	Dynamic.....	Holden
No. 97	Albion.....	Chauvin
No. 102	Edgerton	Edgerton
No. 144	Gratton.....	Irma

DISTRICT No. 18

D.D.G.M. — R.W. Bro. Percy Wm. Slater (53)

No. 23	Calgary.....	Calgary
No. 36	Gleichen.....	Gleichen
No. 48	Crossfield.....	Crossfield
No. 53	Strathmore.....	Strathmore
No. 54	Mount Lebanon.....	Calgary
No. 83	Zetland.....	Calgary
No. 87	Crescent.....	Calgary
No. 124	Concord.....	Calgary
U.D.	Canada	Calgary

NORTH WEST TERRITORIES

No. 162 Yellowknife.....Yellowknife, N.W.T

Grand Master's Representative—R. W. Bro. Chas. E. Garnett (142)

RULINGS OF GRAND MASTERS

Approved by Grand Lodge

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1. Question: In case of a Masonic trial can the Worshipful Master of a lodge act as counsel for the defence of the accused?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1909.

2. Question: Has a lodge the power to levy special assessment on members besides their regular annual dues, and to suspend members for the non-payment of such assessment if they pay their regular annual dues?

Answer: The Constitution makes no provision for suspension except for non-payment of dues and for unmasonic conduct. While lodges may agree to assess themselves for any worthy cause, they cannot suspend the delinquent for the above mentioned cause.
Proceedings, 1916.

3. Question: Is a person eligible to become a member of a Masonic lodge by initiation, who has lost the four fingers of his left hand at the third joint, leaving the hand and thumb intact?

Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1916.

4. Question: Is a returned soldier eligible for initiation into the Order who has lost his left arm at the shoulder?

Answer: If you have a worthy petitioner, who has lost his left arm, but who is supplied with an artificial one so that he can comply with the requirements of the work, I would favor his acceptance into Masonry.
Proceedings, 1916.

5. Question: Has a lodge the power to withhold a Grand Lodge certificate from a newly raised brother until he passes a satisfactory examination in the third degree?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1916.

6. Question: Can a dispensation be granted whereby the degree of Past Master might be conferred as an honor upon a brother as a recognition of faithful service?

Answer: It is not within the power of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to confer the Past Master's Degree (honoris causa) on any brother, however worthy he may be
Proceedings, 1916.

7. Question: Can post cards be used for lodge notices?

Answer: All notices must be sent in sealed envelopes
Proceedings 1913.

8. A lodge cannot refuse to consider applications for membership for any stated period. An application in proper form recommended by two brethren and received by the secretary of the lodge must take its usual course. Proceedings, 1920.
9. A lodge under dispensation cannot grant a dimit to one of its members. Proceedings, 1920.
10. An Entered Apprentice cannot purchase life membership in a lodge. Proceedings, 1920.
11. Refused to grant publication of a Masonic Directory of the Province of Alberta for general distribution amongst members of the Craft. Proceedings, 1922.
12. The Worshipful Master of a lodge has always right of access to the secretary's books, and is responsible to Grand Lodge for their condition. Proceedings, 1922.
13. Refused to sanction the organization of a Masonic Club at a town where no lodge was in existence. Proceedings, 1922.
14. Question: Is a lodge entitled to a refund from Grand Lodge of dues paid on account of brethren who were granted their dimit by the lodge five years prior to the receipt of application for refund by Grand Lodge, but of which no report had been forwarded to the Grand Secretary in the meantime?

Answer: Inasmuch as the semi-annual returns are expected to contain an accurate statement of the work and business done by the lodge during the term, and that these returns are certified to by the Master and Secretary of the lodge under the seal of the same, and are accepted by Grand Lodge as being accurate, as they have no other means of obtaining this information, the lodge is not entitled to a refund under these circumstances.

Proceedings, 1925.

15. Question: What is the standing of an applicant for affiliation who was accepted into membership without the usual certificate of standing or dimit accompanying his application?

Answer: An applicant admitted under these circumstances is admitted irregularly and therefore could not be considered a member. Proceedings, 1925.

16. Question: Is a ballot, which was taken in September of last year, in accordance with the requirements of our Constitution as prior to June 12th, regular, the W.M. not being aware of any change in the Constitution?

Answer: Inasmuch as the ballot was taken in accordance with the Constitution as understood by the W.M. at the time of balloting, it should stand as taken.
Proceedings, 1925.

17. Question: Is a brother who has received the Past Master's degree in a Royal Arch Chapter entitled to be present while the Installed Master's degree is being conferred upon the W.M. elect?
- Answer: A lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta can recognize only those degrees which have been conferred by lodges under this jurisdiction or, as is expressly provided for by our Constitution, by lodges under some other Grand Jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Jurisdiction. In no case will this Grand Jurisdiction admit to participation in its degrees a person who has received such degrees in a Royal Arch Chapter or in any other body conferring other than the first three degrees of Masonry. There are other reasons which cannot be fully explained, inherent in the degree of Installed Master, which would not permit of a brother being present who was not either a Past Master or one duly elected to that office. It was therefore ruled that the brother was not entitled to sit in lodge while the Installed Master's degree was being conferred. Proceedings, 1925.
18. Question: What is the status of a brother who was formerly a member of a lodge in this jurisdiction which surrendered its charter?
- Answer: All members of a lodge who are in good standing at the date of the surrender of its charter and whose dues have been paid in full are entitled to and shall receive from the Grand Secretary a certificate of that fact, which certificate shall have the same effect as a dimit issued by an existing lodge. Proceedings, 1925.
19. Question: May the first degree be conferred by a lodge other than that in which the candidate was accepted?
- Answer: No. The lodge accepting the applicant must confer at least the first degree. Proceedings, 1925.
20. Question: Is a brother eligible for affiliation who holds a dimit and resides outside this Grand Jurisdiction?
- Answer: Yes. His place of residence does not apply in case of affiliation. Proceedings, 1925.
21. Question: Is it correct or permissible to receive written nominations as is the custom at Grand Lodge elections?
- Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1925.
22. Question: Can a Worshipful Master order a regularly put and carried resolution to be expunged from the minute book without a further resolution giving consent of his lodge?
- Answer: No. Proceedings, 1929.
23. Question: Can a lodge ballot on a petitioner without his name and other particulars being first spread on the lodge notice?
- Answer: No, regardless of any necessity for speedy action. Proceedings, 1929.

24. Question: Can a member of a lodge be disciplined for continuously absenting himself from his lodge meetings?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
25. Question: Re notice of motion, if brother giving notice is absent, may any other brother present the motion?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
26. Question: Re notice of motion, in case no other brother wishes to present the motion, can matter be laid over until the following regular meeting?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
27. Question: Re notice of motion, can matter be brought up again without new notice of motion?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
28. Question: Has a Past Master who has been made an Honorary Member of his lodge the right to vote in his lodge?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
29. Question: Can a lodge receive and act on an application of a candidate of foreign birth, who does not understand our language?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
30. Question: Can a candidate, who has received the first degree, be passed and raised in any other Rite than that in which he was initiated?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
31. Question: Can an application be received from one who has been absent from the jurisdiction for two years, during the whole of which time he was taking post graduate courses, always with the intention of returning to his position and his home. In the two years he has not been resident in any Grand Jurisdiction long enough to qualify as an applicant?
Answer: Yes. He has not acquired legal residence in any other jurisdiction, and having returned home to resume the practise of his profession, should not be regarded as having lost his standing as a resident. Proceedings, 1932.
32. Question: Is an honorary member, not previously a regular member of the lodge, entitled to vote in Lodge matters?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1933.
33. Question: Is a brother who is a Warden in one lodge and a member in another, eligible for the office of Master in the other lodge?
Answer: No. He could not hold the office of Master in both lodges at the same time. Proceedings, 1934.

34. Question: Can a lodge charge a candidate with a physical defect the fee charged by Grand Lodge for a dispensation in addition to the regular initiation fee?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1934.

35. Question: Can a lodge use a loose-leaf binder for the permanent record of the minutes in typewritten form?

Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1934.

36. Question: In the case of a number of lodges using the same lodge room, may the lodge charters be hung permanently in the lounge room adjoining the lodge room?

Answer: No. The charter must be present in the lodge room when the lodge is meeting. Proceedings, 1934.

37. Question: Can a lodge hall be dedicated to Masonry when it is used by other organizations for purposes other than Masonic?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1934.

38. Question: Would the acceptance of promissory notes by a lodge, on account of dues owing by members, entitle said members to up-to-date receipts?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1935. Such notes did not in themselves pay the debt and entitle the brethren to up-to-date receipts, and that only final settlement of the notes would entitle them to such receipts.

39. Question: Is it necessary that nominations should be submitted for the office of Master or other elective offices of the lodge?

Answer: No. The election of officers of a lodge shall be annually by ballot, whether nominations are made or not. Proceedings, 1936.

40. Question: Is it necessary that notice of motion be given to confer life membership for distinguished services rendered?

Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1936

41. Question: On the re-election of a Master of a lodge, is it necessary that the ceremony of installation be conducted irrespective of he having already been installed?

Answer: Yes, but the Installed Master's work need not be repeated in full. Proceedings, 1936.

42. Question: Can a lodge receive and act upon a petition for initiation from an unmarried applicant living without the jurisdiction although his parents' home is located within the territory of the lodge?
- Answer: No. Such applicant's residence was where he lived, worked and exercised his franchise. Proceedings 1936.
43. In the case of a travelling salesman who had not lived continuously in one place long enough to qualify for membership, ruled that the place from which he worked and from which he received his regular mail should be considered as his place of residence, which was within the jurisdiction of the lodge. Proceedings, 1937.
44. Ruled in the case of an Entered Apprentice who had been initiated in the Canadian Working in this jurisdiction and removed to the United States before being passed, and who had no intention of returning to Alberta, that he could receive his second and third degrees, on the usual request being made, in a different Working. Proceedings, 1937.
45. Question: Can a temporary honorary membership be granted to an unaffiliated brother?
- Answer: No. Proceedings, 1937.
46. Ruled, that a lodge having paid the \$5.00 registration fee for an Honorary Member who hailed from another Grand Jurisdiction, but who resides within the jurisdiction of the lodge, is not required to pay semi-annual dues to Grand Lodge for such member. Proceedings, 1938.
47. A lodge having spread on its summons for a regular meeting a notice stating that no regular meetings be held in two consecutive months, it was ruled that such motion was not in order, the charter having stated the regular meetings of the lodge. (If a lodge fails to hold its regular monthly meeting it is simply a default.) Proceedings, 1938.
48. Question: Can a lodge by by-law or otherwise fix the fee for initiation or affiliation to include the regular lodge dues for the current year, or one year from the date of membership?
- Answer: No. Proceedings, 1938.
49. Ruled, that a lodge could not give a discount on dues if paid before a certain date, without amending their By-laws to permit this. Proceedings, 1938.
50. A lodge cannot postpone or adjourn a meeting. Therefore it was ruled that a lodge in postponing its regular meeting to a subsequent date and calling it an adjourned meeting, transacting business which can only be done at a regular meeting was in error, and the business done at such meeting must be confirmed at the next regular meeting and the minutes of the previous regular meeting again read and confirmed. Proceedings, 1939.

51. Question: Can the suspension of a member be cancelled from the records on his reinstatement?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1939.

52. Ruled, that a regular meeting of a lodge at which none of the principal officers were present was irregular and any business transacted was null and void, the business done to be reintroduced and dealt with at the next regular meeting.
Proceedings, 1939.

53. Ruled, that a candidate for initiation who by the nature of his employment was absent from his home for six months of the twelve preceding his application, should be regarded as a resident where his established home was situated and the lodge could receive his application. Proceedings, 1939.

54. Question: Can a lodge join, as such, a Masonic Association in another Grand Jurisdiction, over which the Grand Master or Grand Lodge of Alberta has no authority?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1939.

55. Question: In the case of a brother applying for life membership whose membership had been broken by suspension N.P.D., can the payment of an amount equal to dues for the period of his suspension, cancel the fact that his continuous membership had been broken?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1940.

56. In the case of two officers serving in England, residents of Alberta, who desired to make application to an Alberta lodge near their home, it was ruled that a lodge could not receive and act on petitions for membership of applicants whose homes were in Alberta but who were stationed in England.
Proceedings, 1941.

57. That members of the Armed Forces who hail from other Jurisdictions, regardless of whether they comply with the twelve months' residence clause, have no legal residence status in our Jurisdiction. They are still domiciled in the Jurisdiction from which they hail. And no application shall be received except by permission of the Grand Master when waivers must be obtained from their home Jurisdiction and after residence clause has been strictly adhered to.

58. Question: Is it proper for the Worshipful Master to cast one ballot for an elective office on a motion moved and seconded and passed by the Lodge?

Answer: No. Proceedings, 1943.

59. Question: Is the Collective Ballot permissible, that is, One Ballot taken for a number of Candidates?

Answer: No. An Individual Ballot must be taken on each Candidate—where several Ballot boxes are used with the name of the applicant plainly marked on each box—this is considered an Individual Ballot.

Proceedings—1949.

RULES FOR RECOGNITION OF ANOTHER GRAND BODY

By the Grand Lodge of Alberta, Canada.

Fraternal recognition of a Grand Body may be granted when it appears to the Committee on Foreign Relations that recognition should be granted and the recommendation of the Committee has been adopted by the Grand Lodge of Alberta, in Annual Communication.

The finding and recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations shall be based on the following prerequisites:

That the Grand Body seeking recognition:

1. Shall have been lawfully established by three or more regularly constituted lodges, by this Grand Lodge, or by a Grand Body recognized by this Grand Lodge.
2. Shall have sovereign territorial jurisdiction or if territorial jurisdiction be shared with another Body or Bodies then by mutual consent and prohibition or encroachment of occupied territory.
3. Shall acknowledge as a prerequisite for membership belief in the Supreme Being, God the G.A.O.T.U.
4. Shall acknowledge as a prerequisite for membership belief in a life hereafter.
5. Shall require the open V.O.T.S.L. to be indispensably present in the lodge while at work. By the V.O.T.S.L. is meant the revelation from beyond which is binding on the particular individual who is being initiated.
6. Shall make Masons of men only.
7. Shall accept as fundamental:
 - (a) Secrecy.
 - (b) The division of Craft or Symbolic Masonry into the three accepted degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason.
 - (c) The Legend of the Third Degree.
 - (b) The Symbolism of the operative art.
8. Shall accept as its dominant purposes the practice of benevolence, charity and education.
9. Shall strictly prohibit controversial political and sectarian religious discussions within its lodges.
10. Shall adhere in practice and principle to the ancient landmarks, customs and usages of the Craft.

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

FOREWORD

Your Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence have pleasure in presenting a Review of the Proceedings of the several Grand Lodges with whom we are in Fraternal Relations.

In former years it has been the practice to farm out the various proceedings to a large Committee of the Brethren who prepared resumes of these proceedings which appeared as an appendix to our own annual Record. There has been a doubt in the minds of Grand Lodge for some time as to the value of these reviews and as to whether they were serving the purpose intended, namely to give inspiration and information as to what is happening in the Masonic World. It has, therefore, been decided to change the manner of reviewing and to furnish what is generally known as the "Topical Review" in the hope that the Masters of our Lodges will find time to use this portion of our Proceedings as a means of Masonic Education.

The work is divided into three sections, the first covering the Grand Lodges of the Dominion of Canada, the second "British Commonwealth" and the third the Grand Lodges of the United States of America. Each Section is sub-divided so as to cover every phase of Masonic endeavor proper to be written, dealing with such subjects as "Grand Masters Addresses", "Condition of Masonry", Benevolence, Masonic Education, Youth Movements, Jurisprudence and Rulings and Special Events and Addresses.

It is suggested that Masters of Lodges could deal with one of these subjects at each Regular Meeting after the usual business of the Lodge has been completed. By using the Reports of our own Committee in conjunction with this Review, a comparison can be made which, we have no doubt, would be a source of great interest and enlightenment to the Brethren.

Here then is the story of Freemasonry throughout the world, a story of great interest and we trust the Brethren of Alberta will derive pleasure from reading it and evince a desire for greater knowledge of the Craft.

On behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM IRELAND, P.G.M.,

Chairman.

DOMINION OF CANADA

The privilege of reviewing the Proceedings of the Grand Lodges of Freemasonry throughout the world is one of great pleasure and absorbing interest. While each Grand Lodge is a separate and distinct entity, it is surprising how much similarity there is in the trials and tribulations that so easily beset us and the manner in which these are met. All of which confirms us in the belief that Freemasonry was established on a solid foundation and that the rulers of the Craft throughout the world are men thoroughly versed in its teachings and are guided by its principles when conducting the business of the institution.

That Freemasonry has continued in a flourishing state during the past year is made manifest by the large increase in membership as reported in the proceedings of the Nine Grand Lodges and that of the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland. However, it is not in numbers but rather in its achievements and objectives that we must measure our progress of Freemasonry. A survey of the Craft at work will convince the reader of the advancements made.

M.W. Bro. James Patterson Maher, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, gives us a comprehensive definition of Freemasonry and for the benefit of the mature Mason as well as that the younger member, I quote as follows: "Masonry makes no secret of the fact that it never invites or solicits an applicant for membership from anyone. Nor does it hold secret the additional fact that only men of good repute, honorable men that have already demonstrated the quality of character that is likely to fit itself to Masonic standards, will be acceptable. Such men do not need reforming. But that type of man will rejoice in the clear interpretation of noble principles Masonry can give him. He will find great happiness in the fellowship of brethren who are like minded. He will find that in their company and in research with them to discover ways and means of applying the deep wisdom distilled from ages of experience his mental and spiritual stature grows. In it he will meet the unity and brotherhood so generous, long suffering, kindly, and charitable that all honest, sincere men desire."

The purpose of Freemasonry is to help good men to maintain those high standards and to become even better men. Through fellowship and ever ready assistance it endeavours to help each brother in his own efforts to subdue his passions, to offer him comfort, aid, and strength in time of need, to rejoice with him in his victories. This does not mean compelling him to warp his nature into a pattern arbitrarily set by a formulated code. Nor does it mean the surrender of individual opinion. It demands only that he conform to the spirit of brotherhood and that his conduct be so regulated that no act of his shall bring harm or distress to his brethren."

From M.W. Bro. D. J. M. McLean, Grand Master of New Brunswick:

"The history of the human race is one of conflict between and among nations, communities, families and individuals, and even after two world wars fought within a quarter of a century, the world stands today at the cross roads and unless men can sit down at the conference table without hatred and suspicion in their hearts, human-

ity still must look for deliverance by the sword. It has been written by an eminent writer "The twentieth century would see the cessation of wars and the end of feuds, that territorial boundaries would be eliminated, that much of the old order would perish and even dogmas would die but that man would live. To him would be given a greater territory, confined alone by world limits and a greater hope limited by Heaven."

Whether the writer was displaying a special prescience or was over optimistic in his estimate, his shining message nevertheless presents a challenge. Man must live beyond mere man-made boundaries, his mind must broaden until it embraces the whole of mankind in bonds of understanding and tolerance, then shall be established that freedom which make for Brotherhood and the Peace of all men. He can attain this broadness of mind by the practice of those Masonic, Christian and Democratic principles which teach and recognize the liberty and freedom of all men, the practice of charity, tolerance and a sincere respect for the opinions of others", and from M.W. Bro. L. F. Crothers, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, "My Brethren what is Freemasonry? Does it merely consist of signs and symbols, and the wearing of an apron; or is it life with a positive plan and purpose. Does it help us to answer the age old question, why am I here and where am I going." The volume of the Sacred Law is our constant guide. Every sign and symbol teaches a moral and spiritual lesson; teaching us that we are God's children, and as such have a duty to perform to Him, to our neighbor and also to ourselves, by discipline and self control "

CONDITION OF MASONRY

The reports follow the usual pattern of increased membership, of the excellence of the ritualistic work, of the desire for increased facilities for Masonic research and education. Of special Lodge meetings and attendances at Divine Services; of the condition of finances and the type of membership seeking admission. To be more specific let me quote from the several proceedings:

Manitoba, Grand Master.

"It is pleasing to know, as you will see by the statistical figures in the Grand Secretary's Report, that we have had a substantial increase in our membership for the year ending December 31st, 1949, and if I may interject at this time, a thought that has been uppermost in my mind and that is with reference to a fear that seems to have been created in the minds of some of our members, that we are bringing too many new members in too short a period of time, intimating apparently that many of our constituent Lodges were to some extent soliciting for new members. I cannot but disagree with this thought and prefer rather to think that the reason that we are getting an influx of new members is the fact that the younger men coming on today have seen and know of good deeds done by members of the Craft in their various communities, and they desire to be numbered among them and feel that the means of accomplishing their objective is to join the Masonic Order. To

further strengthen my conviction in this regard, we have only to look over the various community centres both in cities and towns and in almost every case we find that those citizens who take a leading part in activities for the good of their community as a whole, are members of our fraternity.

From the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

"The perusal of the District Deputy Grand Masters' Reports show that the District Meeting is still the important event of the year. We cannot agree with the Grand Master that the holding of picnics or entertainments at the District Meeting should be discontinued. We believe that these informal parts of the gatherings create a great deal of friendliness and fellowship and would be very much missed by the brethren."

The Grand Secretary's report shows we have the largest membership in our history although the rate of increase is levelling off. We believe further that the calibre of the members is improving and that we can hope to hold the most of them."

From the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

"One conclusion, which seems obvious, is that while very large membership of Lodges may be comforting to finance committees it may, nevertheless, be a liability in other respects. Lack of Masonic employment and lack of imagination in the preparation of programmes, with only moderate skill in their presentation, are not likely to satisfy young Masons who in their own vocations are able and ambitious. To employ and instruct our brethren in Masonry is a supreme task. But when all that is possible in this respect has been done it is the opinion of your Committee that a complete solution will not be discovered until the larger city Lodges find ways and means of forming additional Lodges to absorb some of the members whom they are not now reaching and influencing constructively in Masonry. We believe that the custom in England of encouraging Lodges to set a reasonable limit on their size is one of the reasons why Masonic influence in that country is so great."

From the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

"In concluding this report, it is not the intention to single out any specific district report for quotation, nor to record any special suggestions, which can be read verbatim from the printed reports. Neither is it the function of the Committee to chart the course or enumerate the possibilities of the Craft in whatever may eventuate in the coming days, which may well be most difficult and critical. The strong impression derived from a study of these reports, and a general knowledge of the composite progress as indicated by the statistics of finance and membership is that our beloved Craft in this jurisdiction has been abundantly blessed by the Great Architect of the Universe, and that there lies before us a great opportunity to make an even greater contribution to the universal truth the world so earnestly needs today, that men are brothers and God is their Father."

BENEVOLENCE

Unlike many Grand Lodges throughout the world, whose principal effort in benevolence is concentrated in Masonic Homes, the Grand Bodies of Canada, with the exception of Nova Scotia, have adopted a policy of establishing Capital Funds invested in Government and Municipal Bonds, the interest from which is used to make grants to infirm any needy brethren, their wives and families. The operation of this method of diffusing Masonic charity has proved beyond all manner of doubt to be the most effective and inexpensive; it permits the family to remain together in their own homes, living their own natural lives without the many difficulties and discouragements of institutional homes, good as these may be. Relief is effective immediately no waiting for admission, just the application by the Lodge of the necessity and the matter is attended to immediately. Cast your eyes over the following excerpts from the Reports of the Benevolent Committees.

From the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

"The primary purpose of benevolent funds has always been as a supplement to benevolent work of the individual Lodge and individual member. In accordance with this statement the Board has continued the policy during the past year of expecting and requesting the Constituent Lodges to participate in the cause of extending relief to the beneficiaries."

"During the year the Board has continued the policy of making cost of living grants additional to the monthly allowances. In addition to Christmas time a special grant of \$15.00 was made to each of the funds beneficiaries. Similar grants were made at Christmas time to members of the various Lodges who while not beneficiaries of this Board, were pensioners under the Old Age Pension Act."

From the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

"At a time when impersonal and coldly institutional service is in the ascendancy it is a heart warming experience to know there is a vital place in Freemasonry. Freemasonry for man to man helpfulness, the touch of human hands. A Freemasonry that is not expressed in service is a Freemasonry that is spiritually dead. Rituals and fellowship help but each man must educate himself by the work of his heart, his hand and his brain. Thus we can justify the existence of Freemasonry. Its spirit must be still warm and vital."

From the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

"The activities of this Committee are many and varied. Following the well established Masonic Custom we employ no fanfare of publicity regarding the work of extending relief to the needy, rather a discreet silence is maintained having regard to the personal affairs of the unfortunate brethren who have come to us for assistance. Much of our work centres around the intimate life of the brethren and their families who are beneficiaries and what is contained in our closely guarded files is regarded as confidential between the recipient, the Lodge and the Committee." We prefer that this condition should continue and believe the members of Grand

Lodge are satisfied that the administration of this fund has been in capable hands since its inception more than a quarter of a century ago."

From the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

"At a recent meeting of your Committee we considered in detail, 402 applications submitted by constituent Lodges of which 101 are new. This is a decline in number from the previous year, but the need is greater."

After a careful analysis of each case and some pending further investigation your Committee is asking Grand Lodge to approve of the appropriation for the period ending May 31st, 1951 of \$76,000.00 from the General Fund and \$15,000.00 from the interest from the Memorial and Semi-Centennial Funds."

"To all external appearances, we are in the midst of plenty, but brethren such is not the case for some of our members and dependents, who are not all living on the Sunny Side of the Street. Will you listen for a few moments while I read to you a sentence or so from applications which have just been received." "He has suffered a stroke, and is an incurable invalid --- his savings are exhausted." "Her husband is a patient in the mental hospital, she is employed and is anxious to continue the education of her daughter."

"Her son, who was her sole support, is now an invalid and almost blind."

"He is an incurable invalid with no means of support; he has sold his watch to meet some of his medical expenses."

"She is an invalid with arthritis and has not been able to leave her room for fifteen years."

From the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

"From the Report of the Committee on Benevolence we learn the 73 Lodges disbursed \$27,560.00, and in addition the Committee voted \$2,540.00 from the Emergencies Benevolent Fund and \$2,960.00 from the Permanent Benevolent Fund. The latter group covers relief given to couples, widows and brethren. We quote from the report as follows:

"Your Committee continues to find some Lodges are unable to assist their own brethren because no systematic effort is made to establish and maintain Benevolent Funds, with the result that the burden must be assumed in its entirety by Grand Lodge." On occasion your Committee receives an enquiry regarding loans to members and therefore deem it necessary to state that it regards such forms of assistance as outside its scope and function."

From the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

"The Committee received and approved several applications and disbursed \$3,200.00. No application deemed worthy was refused. The Committee must again point out that it is expected that the Lodges will contribute to the extent of their ability to distressed brethren before making application to the fund. In a number of instances Lodges that can well afford to contribute to the relief of their distressed brethren failed to do so and expect the fund to carry these applicants indefinitely."

From the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

"This Grand Lodge operates the only Masonic Home in Canada. In common with most Homes of this type, there is always a waiting list of applicants desiring admission. The Board of Finance requested the Trustees to take tenders for the proposed new wing. The cost of operating the Home amounted to \$31,770.05 which is met out of Dues and Initiation Fees, Income from Investments, assigned pensions and contributions. The farm operated in connection with the Home also provides some revenue. While the report does not disclose the number of inmates in the Home, nevertheless from the information supplied it is evident this Grand Lodge is doing a good work.

MASONIC EDUCATION

The need for an educated membership is evident from the remarks of Grand Masters and their Deputies. To meet the necessity many of the Canadian Grand Lodges are issuing monthly "Bulletin's" but it is felt that this is not enough and a more intensive course is desirable to meet the needs of the young Masons who are coming into our Lodges in such large numbers. Many of our Lodges are so busy initiating members that they have not time to spare for education.

MANITOBA

In addition to issuing "Masonry in Manitoba" the Committee on Research and Education published a set of five small booklets, the first of which is given to the petitioner after acceptance by ballot, and one after each degree. The last is for the information of the Master.

These booklets have met with hearty and prompt approval, for when used as suggested by the Committee, Masters have found them to be of great help in added instruction and guidance to the candidate — it gave him a better understanding of the Craft, its history, symbols and the principal for which it stands, and by the time the candidate has become a Master Mason he had a much broader understanding of this great Craft, and a greater desire to continue his search for the hidden mysteries of nature and science.

SASKATCHEWAN

This Grand Lodge issues "The Tracing Board" once a month as a medium of Masonic Education. We cull the following from the Committees report:

"While it is true that Lodges are very busy and have been for some five years in adding to their membership, your Committee once again urges the necessity of a better understanding of Masonic principles, philosophy and procedure in order to retain the interest of all members, both new and old. There is little need to stimulate the growth of our Lodges but a great need to stimulate the study of Freemasonry. The absence of special and interesting Masonic teaching may create disappointment among the younger brethren resulting in their entire loss to the Craft. — A small library of well selected books is a valuable asset of any Lodge."

CANADA IN ONTARIO

"As a means of Education this Grand Body sent out five bulletins to the various districts in the Province. The first took the form of a letter to the District Deputy Grand Masters, and had to do with the organization of a district so that the best results possible could be expected along the lines of a progressive programme in Masonic Education. The second bulletin was mailed out in sufficient quantity that a copy would be sent out to each Lodge in the district. This contained some suggestions for short talks, and three short articles that could be used as the basis of a short talk. One dealt with the Charity lecture, the second dealt with Grand Honors, and the third "The Purpose of Freemasonry". Early in March the third bulletin was sent out from the office of the Grand Secretary and it took the form of a "Syllabus of Instruction" for a definite period of three months. This is a new departure and is probably our first attempt to attack the problem in the manner in which a school might attack its educational problems. The following books were prescribed as texts: The History of Grand Lodge: by W.S. Herrington: The Manual for Masonic Instructors and Students: The Book of Constitution" and the Proceedings of Grand Lodge 1949.

The third bulletin was followed in May by another in much the same form and dealing with the same texts.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The year has been an exceptionally busy one due to the marked increase shown in matters pertaining to Masonic Education. Research in any line is not easy and is only made possible by the combined efforts of great minds. Our aim is to make every Freemason a Masonic student, each and every one to contribute to the great cause; namely the building of character, to promote self respect and love of fellowmen.

We are happy to report that the "Masonic Bulletin" has one hundred per cent support from the constituent Lodges and approximately 19,500 copies were sent out.

QUEBEC

Since the last Communication of Grand Lodge the committee has issued four "Bulletins" which have been distributed to the membership of every Lodge in the jurisdiction. The "Bulletin" has been favorably received and the Committee are very appreciative of the resolutions passed in some of the Lodges and for the letters received from members of Lodges particularly from those resident in distant parts. "During the year five supplementary "Bulletins" have been issued to Masters of Lodges covering (1) Three Important Adjectives (2) The Second Degree; (3) Masonic Quiz; (4) The Lesson of the Third Degree; (5) Commentary of the First Degree. These have been used by the Worshipful Masters as a basis of material for addresses while others have had the Bulletins read in Lodge and others have had them mimeographed and distributed to the members.

NOVA SCOTIA

"During the past year the subject of Masonic Education has received considerable attention. Several of the District Deputy Grand Masters have prepared special addresses of Masonic interest and delivered them on the occasion of their visits to Lodges in their district.

"Probably the most important work in the field of Masonic Education has been the instruction given during the Fall and Winter Months to a very considerable group of Halifax brethren in the art of Public speaking. This class was conducted by Bro. Edward Roberts, well known actor and play producer, using the authorized work as the text book. About 15 talks were given, and those who took advantage of this course undoubtedly received lasting benefit and advice from Bro. Roberts.

There have been many calls for suitable Masonic films for showing before the lodges. The Board of the Home has not been able to secure the completion and delivery of the film which is being made, illustrating the Home and its activities, but expect to have this before the Fall. The Grand Secretary has made arrangements for a week's use of the great Film known as "The Crusaders" and a circuit will be arranged for the week of October 23rd."

YOUTH MOVEMENTS

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan is the only Grand Body who have seriously interested themselves in Youth Service, and in order that the brethren may have some knowledge of the movement we quote extensively from an address given by M.W. Bro. F. H. Auld, Grand Master of Saskatchewan at the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America.

"The Youth Program which we have presented to Freemasons in our Grand Jurisdictions as a Lodge project is one which requires a minimum of organization and formal effort for its success. But it does require a friendly and abiding interest in youth. An initial step in our program is a get-together at a dinner gathering to which the members of the Lodge invite a number of young men between the ages of 16 and 21 years. No one is excluded from such functions because of race, color, creed or religion. Thus, boys who are pals may jointly share in fellowship with Freemasons. Printed invitations are used and they are sent through the mails to the prospective guests who have been found to be singularly appreciative.

Considerable care is taken in the planing of the program so that it will provide amusement as well as instructive features. The latter would be sought by having accomplished speakers, able to present an attractive and useful message to young men of this age group and thereby to influence their thinking in a desirable way. In the planning of their Youth Programs our Lodges are encouraged to seek the help of young men who have already shared their hospitality.

Following such an initial dinner meeting, subsequent and supplementary means of Masonic association with youth are limited

only by the inclination of Freemasons and the time and effort they are disposed to contribute. Another form of entertainment could be a dance under the sponsorship of the Lodge where the same evidences of adult interest could be shown. A tour of some holiday resort is sometimes organized or a visit is arranged to a place of some historical interest or to some industrial, development of local significance. A basket picnic and a campfire would bring the evening program to a satisfactory conclusion.

Our Freemasons need this association with youth. "The lost generation" is an expression used in some countries to describe the young men who paid the supreme sacrifice in World War One. Many fine men of a succeeding generation were lost in a Second World War. These losses have deeply affected Freemasonry and created a need for liaison between our senior members and that element in our social structure which is now approaching maturity. We think our Youth program provides it.

Ours is not a reform movement for incorrigible youths. It is a consciously directed effort to influence and benefit the kind of young man whose face is turned in the direction of good citizenship. It is an effort to give guidance to adolescents who displace those attributes which with even moderately favourable environment are likely to enable them to do credit to their parents, their sponsors and themselves".

In the address of the Grand Master of Quebec he reports that he has received two applications for permission to form De Molay Chapters. After reciting the code of the Order of De Molay he asks the question "Have we not a moral responsibility to youth? And from the Committee on the Grand Master's address" We agree with the Grand Master that this is a subject of great importance, as it deals with the youth of our country and it might be well worth the consideration of Grand Lodge to study the question.

REGIONAL CONFERENCES

What has become known as the "Banff Conference" continues to be an annual event? Starting some ten years ago as a means of interchange of views and of discussions of pertinent questions vital to the four Western Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia; it has now developed into a conference where most of the Grand Jurisdictions of the North Western part of the United States and Canada meet at Banff for a round table discussion of the many questions of vital interest to the Craft. Space does not permit a detailed report of the proceedings but if a Lodge is really desirous of entering upon a serious program of Masonic Education no better medium can be found than the proceedings of the Banff Conference.

A conference of the Eastern Canadian Grand Lodges was held at Quebec City and a very interesting program presented. Due to the establishment of the All Canada Conference it was decided to discontinue the Eastern Conference.

JURISPRUDENCE AND RULINGS**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

"Regarding the request of the Grand Master for a report to Grand Lodge on the proposed National Lodge of Research arising out of the discussion at the Council of Grand Masters Conference, to which our Grand Lodge has been invited to become a member, we would recommend against our joining any such National Lodge".

In the matter referred to your Committee by last year's Communication of Grand Lodge regarding physical qualifications, we would recommend that no change be made in our present regulations. We have enough laws now and all it requires is a literal interpretation of them. Since the introduction of M.W. Bro. K. K. Reid, referring all such questions to this Committee and followed by his successors, no applicant has been denied because of a minor disability, if in all liberality he can conform to our Ceremonials and other requirements"

CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

"The Worshipful Master has power to refuse to initiate or advance any candidate if he deems it to be in the best interest of the Lodge or Craft to do so. He should not initiate or advance any candidate whom he knows or deems unworthy.

SASKATCHEWAN

"As usual many matters came before the Grand Master for advice or direction and all were given careful attention and in the opinion of your Committee were wisely decided. As generally occurs the matters applied peculiarly to special circumstances of the moment and your Committee does not think it necessary to emphasize any particular matter so as to make the Grand Master's decision an approved ruling which must be added to the constitution except the Grand Master's ruling that only one ballot box may be used even when there is a plurality of applicants for membership."

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ADDRESSES**MANITOBA**

This Grand Jurisdiction had prepared elaborate plans for the celebration of their Seventy-Fifth Anniversary in June, 1950 but by reason of the great floods which devastated that area, they were compelled to cancel the Communication in June and delay the meeting till August when many of the preparations had to be abandoned. However, two matters stand out that call for particular mention, The History of the Grand Lodge as prepared by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas and as recited by him at the Grand Lodge session; and the address at the Grand Lodge Luncheon delivered by M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly, P.G.M.

We are deeply indebted to M.W. Bro. Douglas for the wonderful picture he has painted in words of the founding of the Grand Lodge back in 1875 and of the pioneers who labored so hard to establish Freemasonry in Manitoba. It is not possible to repeat the story here but if you would be interested in reading a tale of adventure of the West by all means get a copy of the History of Manitoba by Wm. Douglas, but first let me quote one or two passages:

"From the earliest times, the men who settled this part of Canada have shown remarkable enterprize and it would seem as if an inspired vision directed their efforts to open up the vast spaces of Western Canada. What an expanse of territory came under the jurisdiction of the few brethren who organized this Grand Lodge. It included not only the Province of Manitoba but also the whole of the North West Territories and later they had the far off Yukon under their control."

"Do we realize in this year of commemoration that the men who unfurled the flag of Freemasonry in a 'Great Lone Land' were in truth our early Empire Builders. They carried their obligation to make daily progress into practice by erecting churches, schools, hospitals, and in organizing all the necessary machinery of local government. They are the men we honor today as the subject of our annual address."

"Today we pay homage to the men who gave us Grand Lodge. We pay tribute to their grit, their valor, their refusal to say die. In every Grand Lodge and in every Constituent Lodge we need a day of commemoration in tribute to the multitude of Masons, forgotten of fame and unsung by poetry, who by love and loyalty, built themselves into the Temple and have left their marks upon it. They are the real builders of the Temple, as it stands in the sunlight, or touched by the sweet mysticism of the night; into their labors the Craft entered and because of their faithfulness we have a finer, a firmer faith".

And from the address of M.W. Bro. Donnelly we quote the following:

"The impulse that led our brethren to establish Freemasonry here and set up a Grand Lodge Seventy-five years ago was a need for fellowship. 'Brotherly Love' we call it, but perhaps a better description would be 'the right relations between men'". It is true that this relationship has not always been one of harmony and goodwill. Our own Grand Lodge, shortly after its formation, was divided by a dispute whose effects were felt for years afterwards. We have known Lodges that have been split into rival factions, and brethren who, forgetting their obligations, have allowed bitterness to grow between them.

That we know, but this right relationship is basic in our teaching, without it we could not exist. We are not organized in a common hatred towards any movement or group. We are not held together, as some organizations are, by some ambitious enterprize devised for their own glory. That which holds us together in the most tenuous yet the strongest bond between men, a mutual respect and a faith in each other."

"Brethren, do you realize how precious that is? It is a very simple, basic ideal. But what we have as Freemasons the world has been trying to secure for centuries. Men have tried alliances, treaties war to end war, war to make the world safe for democracy, war to protect men from fear. We have had our League of Nations, our United Nations, men who have planned, hoped, died, that this right relationship could be established, and still the tide of mistrust rises. We have petitions for peace coming to us, petitions to ban the

atomic bomb. Even apart from the fact that their source and purpose are deeply suspect, they are dealing with comparative trivialities and do not meet the real problem."

"Dare we, then, as Freemasons, hold to that faith in the absolute rightness of our ideals, and in the necessity for that true fellowship of which I have spoken? Are we courageous enough to live under its influence and make it a guiding principle of our lives; to believe that honor, integrity, justice, mercy, are man's noblest striving? Life is a drifting useless thing unless it holds fast to some guiding truth and some high destiny. Yes, to lift it higher still; to feel that we can break through that shell that divides us from God Himself, and catch even a fugitive glimpse of His purpose.

From the Address delivered by R.W. Bro. R. C. Berkinshaw representative from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario at the Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, entitled "Faith versus Fear".

"I think, if fear be banished and faith renewed, that the common people of the nations will some day make the new world that is to be, a world at peace, a world of brotherly fellowship. After all, the world is weary of war and of the effort of war, and mankind does desire a world from which warfare shall be banished and that peace shall stand acclaimed upon the hills of hope. It may seem fanciful to some but I picture a world, my brethren, framed upon the very principles of Freemasonry, where Brotherhood and fellowship and understanding shall guard the ways of life, and peace shall endure a thousand years. A thousand years of Peace? May God grant to us and our children the wisdom and the will so to fashion our striving after peace that some day — one day — what may seem to us to be the shadow of a dream, may be transformed into the glorious substance of an accomplished reality.

From an address delivered by M.W. Bro. Frank M. Totton, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York at the annual banquet of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

"Gutzon Borglum, who was a great sculptor and also a proud Mason, during his life built some heroic groups in our country, notably down at Stone Mountain in Georgia and out yonder in the Black Hills of North Dakota, those four great heads, Washington, Jefferson, Theodore, Roosevelt and Lincoln. A friend asked him one time, 'Mr. Borglum how is it that you can carve such magnificent figures out of solid granite'? How do you do it? and Mr. Borglum said, 'Well, you see, it's very easy. All I do is take a hammer and chisel and I knock away the stone that isn't needed, and then one day suddenly the statue appears'. It was there all the time".

"And so it is with us. We are taught that in our Masonic rite, aren't we? We take the rough ashlar and make the perfect ashlar, divesting ourselves of all the vices and superfluities of life, developing character, the man that we want to be, and then suddenly one day the man we always wanted to be emerges. He was there all the time. The Kingdom of Heaven is within you."

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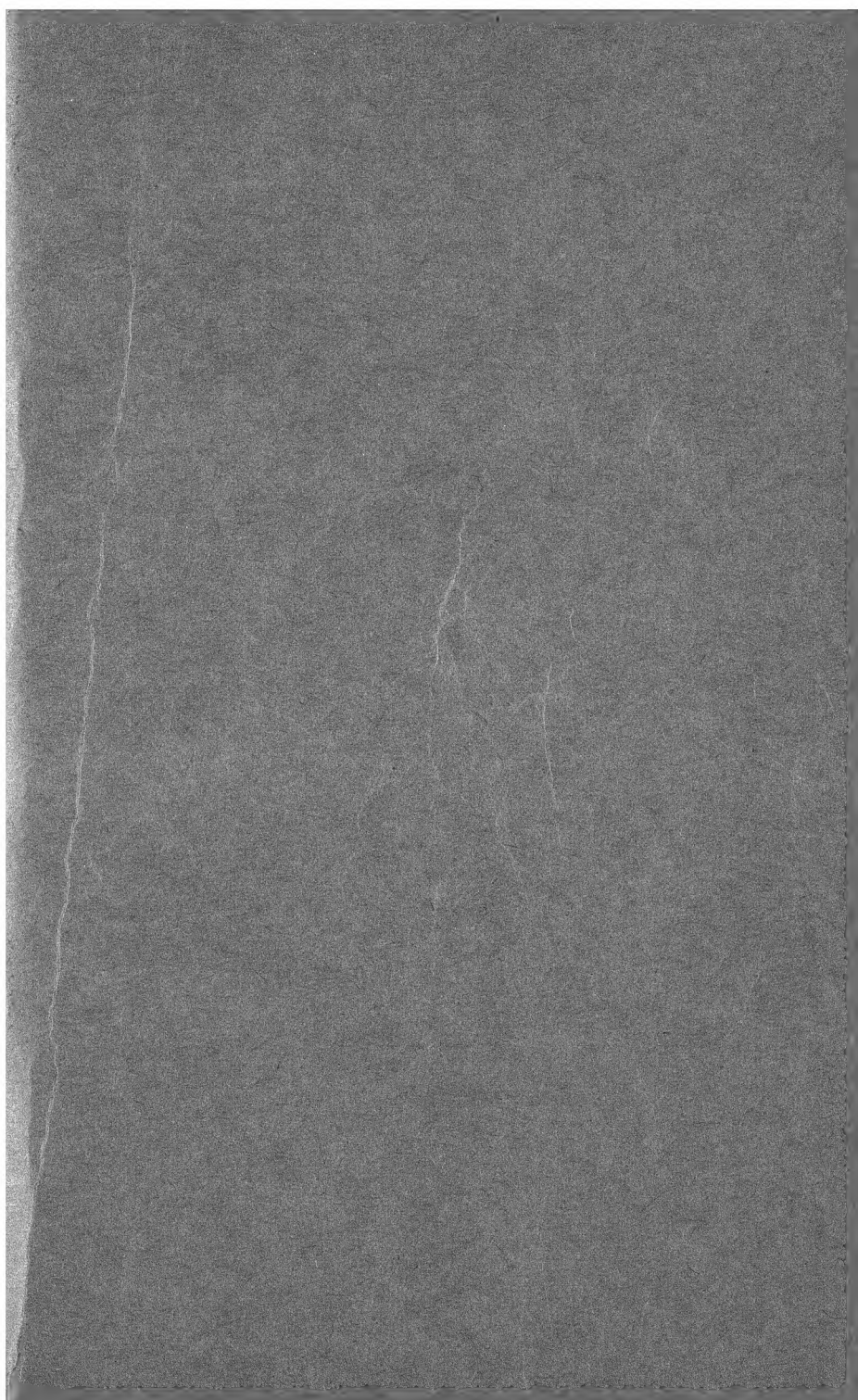
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